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'Famine Brought On According To Plan'

Ministries Made Scapegoats: Congress & League M.L.A.'s Assail Government's Food Policy

NEW DELHI, Nov. 16.

"We have got to get away from the idea and the conception of food as a private or provincial property of which capital, either financial or political, can be made", declared Mr. R. H. Hutchings, Secretary, Food Department, speaking in the Assembly to-day the third day of the food debate.

Describing himself as only a sundried or "dehydrated" bureaucrat and not blessed with the graces of eloquence or wit, he began with an expression of sincere sympathy with the people who were suffering daily in Bengal.

It was no longer a question of grace, charity or congratulation that surplus areas should send to deficit areas what it could easily spare, he went on. It was an inescapable duty which must be scrupulously performed, whatever were the local or sectional interests.

The prime need was not to continue arguing about what should be done but to lay down broad principles and agree on a coherent policy which would make allowances for special conditions and emergencies and apply that policy consistently throughout the country. He claimed that was the aim of the Food Department to-day. The most important feature of the situation was psychological.

FIRST PRIORITY ITEM

The problem was in essence an administrative one. Food must become the first priority subject for the time being of all administrations, the whole resources of those administrations should be focussed upon it in all its different and connected aspects.

One of the most important points was the effective application of the Food Grain Control Order. (Voices: How have you succeeded?)

Mr. Hutchings pointed out the administration of that order was a Provincial matter. The Order was still open to amendment and if Hon. members had any amendments to propose he would welcome them. But the order was the basis on which stocks in each Province could be located and assessed. That should form the basis of any sound food administration.

PRICE CONTROL

Next to it came price control. "Price control must, we believe, not only be supported by control of other commodities and the attempt to supply consumer goods, but it must be accepted throughout India in principle and we will neglect nothing to make it effective".

Referring to rationing, he said that experience had shown that wherever it had been introduced it had been successful and it had been welcomed by the great majority of the people.

He again emphasised that the psychological or spiritual factor was of vital importance. (Cries of Oh, Oh! We don't want sermons).

"RELEASE CONGRESSMEN"

Mr. Akhil Chandra Datta after complaining bitterly of the unavailability of rice and the continuance of export referred to the appeal made by the Government for public co-operation.

"Release Congressmen", he demanded. "They will be the most suitable agency to deal with the problem. The moment they take up the work, confidence will be restored".

He emphasised that it would not do merely to feed the people for the moment; steps must be taken to rehabilitate and reconstruct; people must be restored to their pre-famine condition.

Mr. Hossainbhai Lalji, Leader of the Independent Party, said that during the last four years, food had been taken out of India in quantities which had not been disclosed. Whereas figures for military consumption had been published, figures for export during the last four years were not available. He could not understand why Government now waxed so eloquent in paying thanks to the countries who had come to India's help. Why did nobody thank India when food was going out from here. Why was the action of H.M.G. in sparing a few ships for carrying food to India being advertised as so gracious. He pointed out that there were 40 steamers on the Indian register who had been working for H.M.G. during the last four years. Why could the Government of India not ask for half a dozen steamers of their own as a matter of right?

MINISTRIES MADE SCAPEGOATS

Pandit Nilakantha Das said the present was not the time to fix responsibility by a Royal or any other commission. He thought, the Ministries labouring under so many restrictions were being made scapegoats, while the real fault was a weak, disorganised and disunited centre. He described conditions in Orissa and said the peasantry there were living on the verge of starvation and the province had no 'surplus' food, to export.

NO MONKEYING WITH IT!

Dr. Deshmukh (Congress) said his concern was not so much with the deaths of yesterday but with the deaths of to-morrow, for the problem of Bengal might soon be the problem of the whole of India. He suspected it was a famine brought on according to plan, "for how else can you explain the bungling on the part of the Government? If the Government did not know the elementary laws of war economy and war rationing, they were inefficient. They should admit their inefficiency and resign.

But if they protested that they were clever and efficient, then it was evident that "this monkeying with the food problem of India was a part of a plan."

Dr. Deshmukh asserted there was vindictiveness behind the plan which he said had brought about famine. The war had shown that in spite of 150 years of exploitation and emasculation, Indians were heroes and he alleged that the famine was brought about in a spirit of vindictiveness against that.

NEXT COMES VIZAG

Mr. T T. Krishnamachari supporting Mr. Neogy's amendment favoured the appointment of a Fact-Finding Commission and not a Royal Commission, for after Mr. Amery had already declared that the responsibility for the famine was that of Provincial Ministers any recommendation to him to appoint a Royal Commission was something at which the world would laugh.

Mr. Krishnamachari commended the way in which Travancore and Cochin had met the situation and he expressed apprehension that what was happening in Orissa might well happen in Vizagapatam.

Were the Government of India thinking of using the Sterling Balances to pay for ships and retain them against the time when they would be needed to transport more food in the future to India?

WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY?

Sir Frederick James expressed the view that everybody who was in public life during the past two years must share to some extent the blame for the present situation. (Cries of No, no. Not at all). He went on to put in a plea for South India, particularly Travancore and Cochin, and paid a tribute to the Dewans of the two States who had been working together, had controlled prices, set up procurement agencies, brought under control the distribution of all available supplies.

Sir Frederick went on to refer to the extravagance in restaurants and hotels in Calcutta and Delhi.

He held that this situation in India was the responsibility not only of the administration in India, not only of the British Government which had direct and primary responsibility; it was also the responsibility of the United Nations, for after all this was a United Nation's war.

A satisfactory feature of the crisis was the instant and willing response from various countries, but that response could not be carried into effect unless the United Nations decided that the supply to India had the first priority in their war effort.

PLIGHT OF DESTITUTES

Mrs. Renuka Ray complained that when the situation was most critical, there was an entire lack of machinery to deal with it, and even the immediate problem of giving relief fell on voluntary organisations. She repudiated the suggestion that it was the small cultivator who had aggravated the situation by hoarding. She had seen them starving. Tempted by soaring prices these people sold out a far larger proportion of their crops than before and were now without anything to fall back upon.

She referred to the fear felt by the destitutes who were being removed from Calcutta and said there was some justification for it. In one camp she visited she saw a batch of twenty destitutes, out of whom six had had their families ruthlessly broken up, eight-year old son separated from father, women with two children separated from an earning member and so on.

There was, therefore, justification for the fear by the destitutes and she suggested that Government should take the help of voluntary organisations. It was no doubt good to return destitutes to the villages but mistakes like the separation of families should not happen.

RICE THAT COULD NOT BE TRACED!

She gave another instance to show that the complaint was not unjustified that impediments were being placed in the way of voluntary organisations. A wagon of rice was sent from C.P. to the Calcutta branch of the Women's Conference. The Secretary of the Branch on November 1, sent freight charges and a lorry to fetch the rice. She was told the rice had arrived but could not be located. After seven days, she was told that the amount due had increased owing to demurrage and other charges. She sent the increased amount in cash. This time she was told that the amount should be sent in cheque and she should sign a declaration that she had received delivery. She did all this and the grain was delivered, but it was found to be coarse rice instead of the fine rice which C.P. had sent her. The authorities were again moved and Mrs. Ray believed that by now probably the consignment had been received. She asked how in these conditions were voluntary organisations to work.

She concluded by asking on behalf of the people of Bengal for a thorough investigation of the contributory causes of the situation and the causes which aggravated.

TRANSPORT MEMBER'S REPLY

Sir Edward Benthall, Member for War Transport, refuted allegations that lack of transport facilities was responsible for Bengal crisis. He gave figures to prove his plea that there were enough wagons available in the Punjab, but very often there were no food grains to transport. In any case, said Sir Edward, there had been no complaints since August last, and the fact that the Punjab had been claiming that it had exported foodgrains out of all proportion showed that transport had been made available.

Arrangements had also been made for the transport of 'aman' crop in Bengal, with these arrangements, it was hoped steady improvement would be made in the Bengal situation. He declared that peoples food must be moved and would be moved.

Replying to criticism about a reserve to feed the railwaymen, Sir Edward said that railwaymen must be fed if transport were to be made available for moving food-grains. Government had however substantially reduced the reserve from 42 days' stock to 21 days' stock in recent months.

LINLITHGOW'S LEGACY!

Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan claimed that a Royal Commission to enquire into the past, and the present was necessary in order to plan for the future. "It was a sad commentary on Lord Linlithgow's Viceroyalty that the man who had come out to India with hopes and promises to improve the lot of the agriculturist should leave its shores with the worst famines that has faced this country. If Lord Linlithgow had devoted more time to the economic conditions of India than to geographical unity of this country, things may not have drifted to their present state. Lord Linlithgow never realised his responsibility and duty. For if the military can give assistance to-day, it could have done so four months ago with the result that thousands of lives may have been saved." Nawabzada paid a warm tribute to Lord Wavell for his prompt action in dealing with Bengal situation.

Nawabzada disputed the statement of Sir Edward Benthall that transport was available for moving foodgrains from Calcutta.

Nawabzada said that the whole responsibility for the present state of affairs lay with the British Government which had dragged India into the war and made her a base of operations. Bengal had become a frontier and it was the duty of India and empire to save Bengal. Government of India must help Bengal financially to save lives of millions of human beings.

Mr. N. M. Joshi, supported the demand for an enquiry and said that it was the duty of the House to support the demand. The Central Government, he said should admit its failure and as it would not resign and the House had no power to make it resign, let Government open a new chapter by acting on its decisions.

He wanted a time-table for putting Gregory recommendations into effect and wanted Government to publish monthly statement, showing the progress they had made in doing it. Mr. Joshi wanted the Government to subsidise foodgrains for poor classes.

As for imports, he felt that if they came in at the rate of 41,000 tons a month, it would take thirty months to bring in one and half million tons of wheat to this country!

Mr. Anthony (Anglo-Indian) agreed that there was a need for an enquiry. He agreed with Sir Frederick James that there was great wastage of foodgrains in the army. Similarly prisoners of war were being treated lavishly. The cumulative effect of all this had been that hundreds of thousands of Indians had been deprived of their daily bread, and unless the Food Member was able to pull his weight and bring in millions of tons of foodgrains from abroad, there would be no salvation for India.

DEBATE TO CONTINUE

The food debate will be resumed to-morrow, after official bills on the agenda are disposed of. If no time is left to-morrow, the food debate will be concluded on Thursday.

The Assembly adjourned till to-morrow.

ABDUL QAIYUM ELECTED Dy. Leader Of Congress Party In Assembly

NEW DELHI, Nov. 16.

The Congress members attending the present session of the Central Assembly have elected Mr. Abdul Qaiyum from the North-West Frontier Province as Deputy Leader of the Party in place of the late Mr. Satyamurthi.—A. P.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MARCH)

New York, Nov. 16.

Previous Closing	19.51
To-day's Opening	19.51
Difference	nil
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Difference	+04

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:

General Motors $49-5/8
Anaconda Copper Mining $24-5/8.
United Steads Steel Common 52 preference.
United Steads Steel pref. unquoted.
—Reuter.

Goebbels' Way To Win War

Exhorts Germans Not To Lose Nerve

LONDON, Nov. 16.

The German News Agency reports that the Propaganda Minister Dr. Josef Goebbels in a two-hour speech in Berlin yesterday told the Germans not to lose their nerve.

"What matters in this war", he said, "is not that this or that town or province should remain untouched, but that our national existence and our due place in the comity of nations should be maintained. If only we keep our nerves to the end and as the Fuehrer said do not lay down our arms until after the twelfth hour, then we shall solve the problems of the future of our people for generations."—Reuter.

CATROUX IN BEIRUT

Fr. Liberation Committee Considers Lebanon Issue

LONDON, Nov. 16.

Gen. Catroux is to-day holding vital talks with the British and French authorities in Beirut, where situation is reported to be calm.

No further incidents have been reported since Saturday, although in the Lebanese capital all shops and offices are closed and military patrols are moving through deserted streets.

BEIRUT:—Gen. Catroux arrived here by air from Cairo to-day.

He was met by the French Delegate-General M. Helleu and Gen. de Lavallade. The British Army General Staff were also represented on the aerodrome.

END 'HARTAL' ORDER

The Beirut Radio said that the Government installed in the Lebanon by the French authorities has asked shop-keepers to reopen their businesses as from to-day.

SITUATION IN LEBANON

CAIRO:—A French announcement made here to-day said the situation in the Lebanon is returning to normal. "No incidents were reported to-day," it added.

"The French Delegate-General in Beirut M. Jean Helleu yesterday visited the residence of the Archbishop, where he was cordially received."

ALGIERS:—It was learned in informed British circles in Algiers to-day that there is no sign of calm in the Lebanon, says Reuter's special correspondent.

CATROUX MEETS HELLEN

M. Massigli, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs of the French Committee for National Liberation, has received two telegrams from French Delegate-General in Beirut M. Jean Helleu saying that only three deaths occurred yesterday in the Lebanon. The messages ascribe the trouble to a "plot against France." Gen. Catroux has met M. Helleu but has not yet reported to Algiers. The French Committee of National Liberation discussed M. Helleu's telegrams to-day

De Gaulle Speaks

Gen. de Gaulle speaking here to-day on the question of Lebanon said: "France could not renounce her obligations and her juridical position in the Lebanon was uncontestable. France could not allow troubles prejudicing the strategic position of the Allies to develop in the Lebanon. The situation was on the way to settlement. The incident had not affected relations with Great Britain', said Gen. de Gaulle "who had interested herself as much as France in the Near East situation and the destiny of the Arab peoples. I have never wished that during the war France should break alliance with her Allies", he said.

Communists have accepted posts in the French Committee of National Liberation, it is officially announced here to-night.

M. Lucien Midol is taking over the portfolio of Industrial Production and M. Etienne Pajon the portfolio of Public Health.

BR. MINISTER TO BE APPOINTED

It is understood that an announcement will be made shortly of the appointment of a British Minister to the French Committee of National Liberation.

Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper, former Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, is coming to Algiers as the British representative to the French Committee of National Liberation.

I.C.S. OFFICER DENIES RESIGNATION STORY

SIMLA, Nov. 16.

Mr. N. C. Mehta, Sugar Controller, Government of India, Simla, informs that there is no truth whatever in the News Item published in a section of the Press, emanating from Bareilly that he has resigned from the Indian Civil Service.—A. P.

57 DEATHS ON MONDAY

CALCUTTA, Nov. 16: Fifty-seven sick destitutes died in various hospitals in the City and Suburbs yesterday and there were 106 new admissions.

The number of persons discharged during the day totalled 53.

Yesterday 63 bodies of destitutes were disposed of in the City by the Hindu Satkar Samity and the Anjuman Mafidul Islam. Of these, 49 were received from the emergency hospitals dealing with sick destitute cases, 10 from the police morgue and the rest from other sources.—A. P.

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EIGHTH ARMY'S GAINS IN ITALY

Nazis Burn Villages After Driving Out All Inhabitants

LONDON, Nov. 16.

Reuter's special correspondent at the Allied headquarters in North Africa this afternoon said that the Eighth Army has captured some high ground north of Atessa. Atessa, which was captured at the week-end, is five miles south of the Sangro river and 11 miles inland from the Adriatic coast.

To-day's Communique states: "Land: Bad weather conditions limited the scope of operations by both the Fifth and the Eighth Armies.

Air: Yesterday an attack was made on Eleusis airfield at Athens by heavy bombers of the North-West African Air forces escorted by long-range fighters. Medium bombers also escorted by long-range fighters which attacked Kalamaki airfield at Athens. Both targets were covered by bomb-strikes.

From these operations two of our aircraft are missing."

RUTHLESS NAZI "SCORCHED-EARTH" POLICY

Reuter's special correspondent with the Eighth Army cables:—The Germans are now carrying out violent "scorched earth" policy. Night after night, the sky over the mountains behind their lines is lit up with red glow. Little Italian villages set alight by the Germans are going up in flames. From every village the Germans are removing everything of value and setting fire to every house in which British troops might possibly be billeted. They have already driven from their homes in seven villages every inhabitant from the oldest woman to the youngest child. The Italians have fled to the mountains whence they watch their homes burn. The Germans are destroying everything. In the harbours of Pescara and Ortona up the Adriatic the Sangro river—the most serious natural obstacle the Eighth Army have yet had to face in Italy—all bridges have been blown.

ADRIATIC COAST

Edging forward from positions 20 miles inland from the Adriatic coast Eighth Army troops are slowly straightening the Allied line along the Sangro Valley. They have clashed with German units at Montazzoli 4 miles east of the Sangro and 6 miles north of Catiglione.

AMERICANS HAD TO YIELD

The Germans are putting up fierce defence on the Fifth Army front. The Americans had to yield some ground on one of the features of Monte Croce just north of Vienafro after two heavy counter-attacks. The weather has deteriorated and it is holding up operations along the whole front.—Reuter.

DUCE GOES TO BERLIN

ZURICH, Nov. 16.

Mussolini is believed to have gone to Germany to meet Hitler, said the Swiss newspaper 'La Suisse' to-day.

The paper said that he sought the interview in the hope that Berlin would define separate spheres of military administration and Fascist Party as the Germans were apparently regarding Italy as occupied territory.—Reuter.

Greek Troops Turn Tables In Leros

Germans Now Hold Only A Bridgehead: Allies Hold On Despite Severe Air Attacks

BODRUM (Turkey), Nov. 17.

Greek troops have landed on Leros and reversed the situation there, according to refugees arriving here from the island.

Greeks landed from a destroyer in the rear of the Germans on beaches and drove them back, refugees said.

LONDON: The Algiers (Radio France) said the Germans now only hold a bridgehead to the east of Gurna Bay on the west coast of Leros island near its "waist".

A German Communique reports: On the island of Leros fighting between our landing forces and the enemy garrison on the island continues.

CAIRO: From Reuter's special correspondent: Bitter and dogged fighting continues on Leros island where Allied troops are facing continuous and severe attacks from the air. Nevertheless they are holding their own and the situation on the land is almost unchanged. British and Italians are both reported to be fighting magnificently and with scarcely any respite.

The next few days should decide whether or not the defenders can hold the island. Germany's anxiety to regain Leros is not only a desire to achieve a victory to offset the long record of operational defeats but is in keeping with the well-conceived German strategic plan to maintain at all costs a grip on the "ironring" of island in the Aegean, which the Allies recently "punctured" by the occupation of Cos, Samos and Leros.

SEVERE FIGHTING CONTINUES

A Middle East Joint War Communique says: 'Our forces in Leros were yesterday subjected to heavy incessant bombing attacks from the air. Our troops continued to hold the enemy and fighting is severe.

Middle East aircraft continued attacks on enemy shipping in the Aegean area and positions in Leros, Crete, and Rhodes during yesterday and last night.

The Communique adds that American bombers scored a direct hit on one of two Axis destroyers encountered near Leros.

SOFIA RAID SEQUEL

The German overseas news agency to-day said the Bulgarian police gave figures of casualties in Sunday's Allied raid on Sofia up to last night as 56 dead.

The German overseas news agency says that as a result of Sunday's raid the Bulgarian Minister of Interior has ordered the police to execute all looters in Sofia on the spot.

Four Premiers See Viceroy

NEW DELHI, Nov. 16.

The Viceroy granted an interview to the Premiers of Bengal, the Punjab, N.-W. F. P. and Sind.—A. P.

Adjournment Motion On Lebanon Disallowed

NEW DELHI Nov. 18.

In the Central Assembly this morning the President, Sir Abdul Rahim, ruled out of order Sir A. H Ghuznavi's adjournment motion to discuss "the failure of the Government of India to persuade His Majesty's Government to implement their guarantee of independence to Lebanon and to restrain the French Committee from acting in tyrannical and oppressive manner which is prejudicial to the progress of the war and the solidarity of the United Nations".

The President held that this was a matter which was not within the responsibility of the Government of India.

MUSLIM'S CONCERN

The whole of Muslim India was deeply concerned at the Lebanese crisis, said Mr. Nawab Khan (formerly Nawab Bahadur Yar Jung) while addressing a meeting held this evening in Juma Masjid under the auspices of the Delhi Provincial Muslim League.

He said that Muslim India was closely watching the Lebanese situation and requested the British Government to intervene in the matter and get the Lebanese leaders released thus pacifying the Muslim world.—A. P.

IRAQUI APPEAL TO WILLKIE

BAGHDAD, Nov. 16.

An Iraqui appeal has been cabled to Mr. Wendell Willkie asking for support of the Lebanon "in the interests of democracy, the Allies and the aims of the United Nations."

It was sent by the President of the Iraqui Senate, former Iraqui Prime Minister M. Gemil El Madfai and Tewfik Seodi, another former Prime Minister and several times Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The appeal said that the Lebanese "demand freedom and independence and cannot be treated as criminals."—Reuter.

Pope To Broadcast

LONDON, Nov. 16.

The German News Agency says that the Pope is to broadcast to the world sometime this week.—Reuter.

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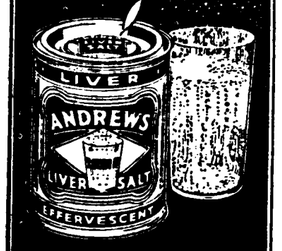

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AHMEDABAD FOOD SITUATION ADEQUATE
District Magistrate's Appeal Against Hoarding

AHMEDABAD Nov. 15.

The District Magistrate has issued an appeal to the people not to be anxious about the food position of Ahmedabad City as has the question of adequate supply of grains to Ahmedabad City is receiving the active attention of the Authorities and arrangements have been made by the Bombay Government for the supply of Bajri from Mehsana and Rice and Wheat from the Punjab and deliveries are expected to commence shortly.

He adds it is however important that there should be no hoarding and that stocks should not go underground in the interval before rationing is introduced.—A. P.

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LONDON INDIANS GET BUSY

Drive For Clothing And Medical Aid To Bengal

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Nov. 15.

After receipt of the cable from the Mayor of Calcutta emphasising that the ensuing cold weather necessitates the immediate distribution of clothing to children and women in the worst affected areas and large-scale medical and milk-products supply will require huge financial assistance, Messrs. Laurence Housman and Augustus John M. P.s, Edith Summerskill, Frank Bowles, W. G. Cove, Sydney Silverman, A. Creech Jones, Seymour Cocks, Rhys Davies, novelist Vera Brittain Prof. George Catlin, Sardar Kartar Singh, Syeed Ameer Shah, P. B. Seal and Miss Amiya Bose have launched on behalf of the Indian Famine Committee a fresh country-wide appeal in the course of which they say that the Mayor of Calcutta has informed them that winter will witness the most terrible conditions in the tragic history of India.

The Mayor is in a position to organise relief and any aid for India sent to him is assured of the most economical and effective distribution, there won't be any waste.

APPEAL TO WORKING-CLASS

Last night Mr Fenner Brockway and Prof. Gangulee spoke at Birmingham and explained to working-class audience the causes of famine and remedies essential to meet it and to prevent a recurrence. Speakers including several Trade Unionists demanded the immediate release of Congress leaders to secure their co-operation in the present food crisis.

Pardiwala's Release

(From Our Correspondent).

LAHORE, Nov. 15.

Mr. Pardivala, Barrister from Bombay who had come to Lahore in connection with Jaiprakash Narayan's 'habeas corpus' petition presented at the Lahore High Court was arrested in Lahore on the 9th November under Section 129 D.I.R. just after Jai Prakash Narayan's petition was admitted. To-day the Crown representative appeared before the Special Bench consisting of Sir Trevor Harries, the Chief Justice and Justice Abdul Rehman and informed the court that Mr. Pardivala has been released.

Malik Jeewanlal Kapur, who appeared on behalf of the Bar Association submitted that the members of the Bar should be given an assurance that they would not be treated like that if they appeared in cases which were inconvenient to the police.

Their Lordships observed that if it could be shown that Mr. Pardivala had been arrested for merely appearing in a case it would be a very serious matter and they would take most serious notice of it.

With the release of Mr. Pardivala the petition became infructuous and was therefore dismissed.

Mr. Jeewanlal Kapur, Bar-at-Law, has also received a telegram from Mr. Pardivala from Muttra to-day that he was released on Saturday night and was proceeding to Bombay.

SOVIET MONETARY MISSION TO VISIT WASHINGTON

Hull To Report To Congress On Moscow Agreement

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15

The Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull will address a joint meeting of the two Houses of Congress on Thursday and report on the Four-Power Agreement reached in Moscow.

The majority leader in the Senate, Senator Barkley said that the precedent-breaking appearance of Mr. Hull would be before an informal gathering of the House and the Chamber and not a formal joint session. Mr. Churchill spoke at such a meeting several months ago.

The Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull announced that a Soviet monetary mission is shortly visiting Washington to discuss post-war currency and trade problems. He added that he knew that no two countries had more common interests and fewer conflicting interests in the world economic field than the Soviet Union and the United States.—Reuter.

Philippines To Be Reconquered Soon?

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.

President Quezon, the former President of the Philippines, in a broadcast message to his country to-day said that he had learned on good authority that General MacArthur would soon have sufficient men and materials available for an attempt to reconquer the Philippines.

SECURITY DEMAND ON "AL-JAMIAT"

PESHAWAR, Nov. 15.

A notice has been served on the publisher of "Al-Jamiat" demanding a security of Rs. 1,000. The last date of depositing the amount is November 24.

Bakshi Faqirchand, a journalist of the Frontier, who was ordered to be detained for the duration of war, has been released on one week's parole

Students Against Pentangular Tournament

Mr. M. A. Wadud Khan, General Secretary, Bombay Students' Union writes:—

The Pentangulars will be taking place in the third week of this month

Progressive students of Bombay have always opposed communalism in sport. But this year and effort is made to boost the Pentangulars by sending a part of their proceeds for Bengal Relief.

The B.S.U. wants to make it clear that its stand regarding the Pentangulars remains unchanged.

If people want to help Bengal it can be done in other ways than by promoting communal feelings at a time when the need for unity is greatest. The B.S.U. itself has launched a campaign for giving relief to Bengal and has given a call for all parties unity to save it. We call upon the students of Bombay to join the campaign and thus by working for unity, instead of seeing communal sports concretely show their opposition.

CARRY ON THE WORK ALL ROUND THE YEAR

Jayakar's Advice To Women Of India

The need to put in sustained work in between annual conferences was stressed by Dr. M. R. Jayakar in the course of his concluding remarks at the final session of the Conference on Legal Status of Indian Women, organised by the National Council of Women in India, at the Convocation Hall on Monday

Dr. Jayakar said that the time had gone by when women were not regarded as the equals of men. Considerable change had come over public opinion and the time when leading men were completely indifferent to questions of women's rights had gone. But it was necessary to organise and enlist the support of men. "Don't disdain their aid" he counselled the wome

He suggested that questions of women's rights, although they may pertain to particular communities, should be backed by women of all communities. There should be small 'ad hoc' committees for women of various communities under the control of a Central Committee consisting of women of all communities. There should also be a committee sitting in juxtaposition with the Legislature at Delhi.

Dealing with the immediate programme of work, Dr. Jayakar said that he had not seen the report of the Select Committee of the Legislature on the Report of the Rao Committee; but he had heard that the Select Committee had made a complete ruin of it. The women of India, if they were not satisfied with the report of the Select Committee, should oppose it. They should then agitate for the reappointment of the Rao Committee which had been disbanded by Sir Reginal Maxwell in a moment of "war madness." If they put in sustained work through their committees, as he suggested, they would surely succeed in their efforts.

At the end of the Conference there was a variety entertainment and tea.

Earlier in the day, the Conference heard an address in Gujarati on the present position of women under the Hindu Law by Mr. Tricumdas Dwarakdas and another in English on Guardianship of Children by Mr. N. H. Pandya. Mr. Tricumdas Dwarkadas said that Hindu women wanted two changes in the Marriages Act In the first place, Hindu widows should get a share in the property of their husbands besides maintenance. Secondly, they should be allowed to remarry. He was of the opinion that divorce was not suitable to Hindu women, who regarded their husbands as divine beings.

Dewan Bahadur Jhaveri giving a general resume of the discussions that had taken place at the Conference said that during the past 20 years efforts had been made to improve the status of Hindu women. They were now in a transition stage. The question before the Conference was to decide whether they wanted piecemeal or wholesale legislation. He expressed the hope that with strong agitation all the demands of Hindu women would be granted at an early date.

INDIA'S ROLE IN 'UNNRA'

Cotton, Textiles And Burlap For Rehabilitation Of Occupied Countries

ATLANTIC CITY Nov. 14.

From Reuter's special correspondent:

India's contribution to the Relief and Rehabilitation programme would be "comparatively small," an authoritative source said to-day. It would consist primarily of cotton and finished textile goods, which would probably be sent to Greece, Yugoslavia, and other Mediterranean countries and burlap (coarse canvas), which will be needed for wrapping in the extensive relief plan.

The spokesman pointed out that India requires most of her remaining production for her own needs Therefore having regard to the size of the country her part in the programme will be "relatively slight."—Reuter.

Indians' Status In Natal

DURBAN, Nov 16.

Nine Natal towns applied to the Government for Commissions to determine the extent to which occupation or acquisition of land or sites for trading or residential purposes had taken place by Indians in predominantly European areas but the Commissions have not yet been appointed.

This is revealed in a memorandum for discussion by the executive of the Natal Municipal Association when it meets in Maritzburg on December 3.—Reuter.

Jinnah's Talks With Sikh Leaders

PESHAWAR, Nov 16.

Sardar Ajit Singh, Minister for Public Works who had gone to Delhi to take part in the discussions between Sikh leaders and Mr. Jinnah League President, returned to Peshawar last night accompanied by Giani Sherslngh and other leaders. No clue is available of the Delhi discussions, and the result is kept a closely guarded secret

In the evening the Sikh leaders had consultations with Dr. Khan Sahib, former Congress Premier at latter's residence where Khan Ali Gul Khan, President of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee, and other local Congress leaders were also present.

Master Tara Singh, Sikh Leader is arriving here on November 20 to preside over the Frontier Akali Conference commencing on the same day.—United Press

DONATION FOR ALIGARH MEDICAL COLLEGE: On behalf of His Highness the Nawab of Junagadh, the Dewan of Jungadh, Khan Bahadur Abdul Kadir, performed the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone of the Mahabatkhanji Junagadh Hospital at Aligarh and announced the donation of Rs. 1,00,000 with an annual recurring grant of Rs. 9,000 for the Medical College.

PATNA, Nov. 15: A separate university for Orissa is likely to be functioning by the last week of this month or the 1st of December next.—A. P

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We give below the table of General Insurance Companies, their recent Dividends and present prices of their Shares as compared with their face value.

Name of Company.	Year of establishment	Face Value	Paid-up value	Market value.	Dividend
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Percent
Triton	1887	100	25	260	40
New India.	1919	7'5	15	75-8	10
Indian Mercantile		100	20	70-8	16¼
Vulcan.	1919		10	17-8	5
Vanguard Ordinary.	1937	10	5	10	12½% } 6% in 1942.
Vanguard Preference	1937	50	50	65	8% }

The Directors are confident that within a very reasonable period of time the Company should be in a position to make a fair disbursement of dividend on its Ordinary Shares.

MANAGEMENT OF THE COMPANY

The management of the Company will vest with Directors. No Director is paid any salary either for wholetime or part-time work done by him as it has been decided by the Directors at the outset that utmost economy should be practised in the conduct of the affairs of the Company.

MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION

The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is Rs. 25,000. As this amount has already been subscribed several times over the Directors will proceed to allotment immediately the subscription list is closed.

BROKERAGE & COMMISSION

As provided in the Articles, brokerage not exceeding 5% will be paid to any person including a Shareholder or Director of the Company and to recognised brokers and bankers, in respect of applications received through them, bearing their rubber stamp. on the basis of the shares actually allotted.

PROMOTION MONEY

No promotion money has been or is intended to be paid to anybody.

VOTING RIGHTS

Irrespective of the class of shares held, every member present in person shall be entitled to one vote on a show of hands. In the event of a poll, however, every member shall be entitled to one vote in respect of each share held by him.

TRANSFER OF SHARES

The Directors may decline to register and transfer of shares to a person of whom they do not approve and may also decline to register any transfer of shares on which the Company has a lien.

INCORPORATION OF THE COMPANY

The Company was incorporated on 25th September, 1941 and the Certificate of Commencement of Business in terms of the Indian Companies Act was obtained as early as 30th September, 1941. But owing to unsettled conditions both in the political and financial world, the Directors decided to postpone the issue of Shares to the public and also to postpone the registration of the Company under the Indian Insurance Act, 1938 and it has not been carrying on any business and hence particulars required by Sec. 93 (1 A) of the Act are not given herein

The Directors are glad to say that on the amount already collected and invested, the Company has earned a profit of Rs. 1,721-6-7 for the year ended 31st December, 1942 and this enabled them to declare a dividend of 4½% for that year on the Preference Shares.

GENERAL

Application for shares should be made on the form accompanying this Prospectus and should be forwarded along with the amount payable on application to the Registered Office of the Company at No. 9-9 A, Blacker's Road, Mount Road, Madras to the office of the Company's brokers or bankers. Forms of application can be had at the Registered Office and at the offices of the Company's brokers or bankers. The Directors reserve to themselves the right to refuse any application without assigning reasons therefor. Where, however, the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, the balance amount available will be utilised towards allotment money and the balance if any, will be returned to the applicant.

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Dated 4th Nov. 1943.

APPLICATION FOR ORDINARY SHARES

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THE DIRECTORS,
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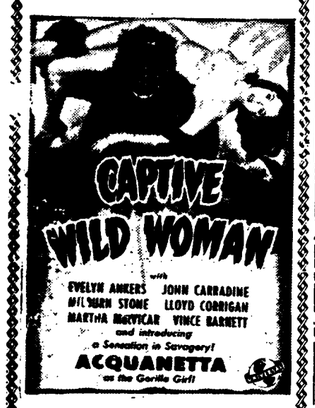

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Congress Candidates Fare Well In Corporation By-Elections

Police Ban Use Of Loudspeakers And Other Canvassing Methods At One Booth

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Congress candidates were in a favourable position in all the six wards where polling for by-elections to the Municipal Corporation took place today.

While vigorous canvassing was being conducted by volunteers with loud speakers at Matunga and Shivaji Park and volunteers shouting slogans at all the election booths, in the Northbrook Gardens alone, these methods were disallowed.

While at Shivaji Park, a loud speaker perched over the top of a building, was used to harangue voters down below, at Northbrook Gardens, Congress flags were taken from the volunteers by the police and handed over to the owners. The flags lay idle in the Congress booth. There was also a taboo on bands, trumpets and loud speakers with the result that canvassing, though silent, was brisk and of a hustling type.

But towards evening despite restraints and inclement weather scenes the Congress and Muslim League of enthusiasm were witnessed near tents.

In the keen triangular contest between the Congress, Muslim League and Scheduled Class candidates for the Nagpada-Kamatipura Ward, voting for Mr. S. L. Silam, the Congress candidate seemed favourable. There were two arrests for impersonation. Of the 16,000 voters about 4,600 registered their votes.

DULL POLLING

At the Mazagaon-Tarwadi ward, where there were three candidates, the chances of Mr. K. L. Borkar, the Congress candidate appeared quite bright. Polling, however, was dull. Only about 15 per cent of the voters having gone to poll.

In the Matunga-Sion Ward, the Congress candidate, Mr. B. N. Maheshwari was well backed. There are about 10,000 voters on the register in this Ward and about 2,500 voters went to the polls.

The largest percentage of voting was, however, recorded in the Mahim-Dadar Ward, where as much as 35 per cent of voters are estimated to have gone to the poll.

There was a great rush of voters in the morning as the office going population hurried to record their votes. In the very first hour nearly 800 voters registered their votes. There are 14,000 on the register. The position of Dr. T. R. Naravane, the Congress candidate was very favourable.

As many as ten persons were arrested for alleged impersonation.

Polling in the Worli-Prabhadevi Ward was comparatively dull; about 2,500 out of 12,000 voters having come to the booth. There was a keen contest between Mr. I. S. Patel and the scheduled class candidate.

BRISK VOTING

During the last hour brisk voting was witnessed, mill workers being brought in lorries.

In the Chinchpokli-Love Grove Ward 25 per cent of the 12,000 voters on the register, recorded their votes.

Thanks to the staggering of holidays, a group of eight mills in this area had a holiday, to-day. Workers in these mills as also night shift workers were thus enabled to register their votes. Mr. Ashok Mehta is understood to have fared well.

GOODWILL CAN SOLVE S. AFRICAN PROBLEM

Shafaat Ahmed Khan's Tribute To Indians In Union

BOMBAY, Monday.

The controversy regarding the Indian question in South Africa bristles with many difficulties but there is no reason why with so much of goodwill on both sides the issue should not be settled especially as the elections are over and South Africa is stabilised.

This was the view expressed by Sir Shafaat Ahmed Khan, High Commissioner for India in South Africa, speaking at a dinner party given in his honour by Mr. M. A. Jadwat, local representative of the South African Indian Congress to-night.

Sir Shafaat had nothing but praise for the courtesy and kindness he had received from both the Indian and the European population in the Union.

Regarding the present controversy Sir Shafaat said that the problem was now under discussion at the appropriate quarters and hence he would hesitate to go into the question.

In the fullness of time, Sir Shafaat was confident, the Indian community would attain equality with the Europeans in civic and political rights. The small section of Europeans who are well disposed off towards the Indians was increasing and so was the "reservoir of goodwill towards the Indians."

Dr. John MacKenzie and Dr. Jooma of the Indian Colonial Students' Association also spoke on the occasion urging the need for facilities for Colonial Indians to obtain admission to educational institutions particularly medical colleges in India.

Death Of Sir Shafaat Ahmed Khan's Father

Death took place on Sunday at Lucknow of Nawab Sajjad Ahmed, father of Sir Shafaat Ahmedkhan High Commissioner for India in S. Africa. His body was taken to Moradabad. Sir Shafaat, who was in Bombay, cancelled all his engagements and left for Moradabad on Sunday.

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CORPORATION: Standing Committee special meeting 1-30 p.m. (B. T.)

To-day's Engagements

TEMPLE FESTIVAL: Laxmi Venkatesh Temple at 31 Manohardas Street, Fort, between 5 and 9 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Special Meeting to celebrate Fourteenth Anniversary, Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, today 6-15 p.m.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: To-day (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Hall opp. Churchgate Station, Dastur Bode will deliver a public lecture on "Mazdayasnian Ethics". All are cordially invited.

SOVIET ANNIVERSARY: Under the auspices of Bolshevic Party of India, Bombay Committee a meeting will be held to celebrate the 26th anniversary of the Soviet Revolution to-day (Wednesday) at 7 p.m. in the party office 37A Lohar Chawl Mahim.

BALKAN-JI-BARI: The annual educational excursion of boys and girls of all Local Branches of Bombay Provincial Balkan-Ji-Bari will be held at Uran on Sunday, November 28. Those wishing to join should send their names to the Secretary, "Gulistan", Khar, by November 21.

INTER-FIRE BRIGADE VOLLEY BALL TOURNAMENT

The final of the City Inter-Fire Brigade Volley Ball Tournament was played at Byculla on Tuesday when the Memonwada Station Team beat the Babulnath Tank Team by two Games.

Mr. M. D. Bhat, the Municipal Commissioner and high officers of the Fire Brigade Service were present.

The Commissioner after a short speech presented the O. C. F. S. Shield to the winning team as also cups to individual players.

BOMBAY CYCLING CLUB: The Secretary writes: The Bombay Cycling Club has arranged a cycle trip to Bassein on Saturday, November 20 to return on Sunday, the 21st, which is open for all.

The following cycle races will be run by the same Club on Sunday, December 5 starting at Mahim bridge at 7-30 a.m.

10 Mile Massed-start Race (Open).
5 Mile Massed-start Race (Intermediate).
5 Mile Massed-start Race (Novice).
1 Mile Massed-start Race (Roadster Open).
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The entry fee is anna one per event only. Further information can be had from Mr. A. R. Havewalla, C. J. Colony, Tardeo.

Two-Men-Show Of Pictorial Photographs

An exhibition of some 40 striking photographs—the work of Messrs. M. Desai and H. E. Tyndale, well-known Bombay photographers—has just been opened at the Continental Photo Stores (243, Hornby Road).

Some of the pictures have been reproduced before in the press and were exhibited in many international exhibitions before the war but the originals are shown collectively together for the first time in Bombay.

The portraits are very predominant in Mr. Desai's selection some of these of well-known personalities of Bombay. Mr. Tyndale shows some delicate studies of children in high-key style and some forceful head studiees from Nepal and Bhutan.

The exhibition is open for a fortnight from the 15th from 10-30 a.m. to 6-30 p.m. everyday, except on Sundays. All the pictures of the exhibition are for sale at Rs. 20 each, 25 per cent. of the total proceeds of which is to be donated to the Bengal Relief Fund.

MUNSHI SHOCKED AT PARDIWALA'S ARREST

BOMBAY, Nov. 15.

Mr. K. M. Munshi has issued the following:—

"I am shocked to learn that Mr. Pardiwala was arrested by the police at Lahore when he had gone there on professional duty in connection with a Habeas Corpus matter. That he was released after a short detention does not justify the initial step. I hope the Lawyers' Associations in India will strongly condemn this action which is likely to interfere with professional men discharging their duty by their clients".

The United Press learns that the Bombay Bar Association has called a special meeting of its members to protest against the arrest of Mr. Pardivala who had gone to Lahore on a professional visit.

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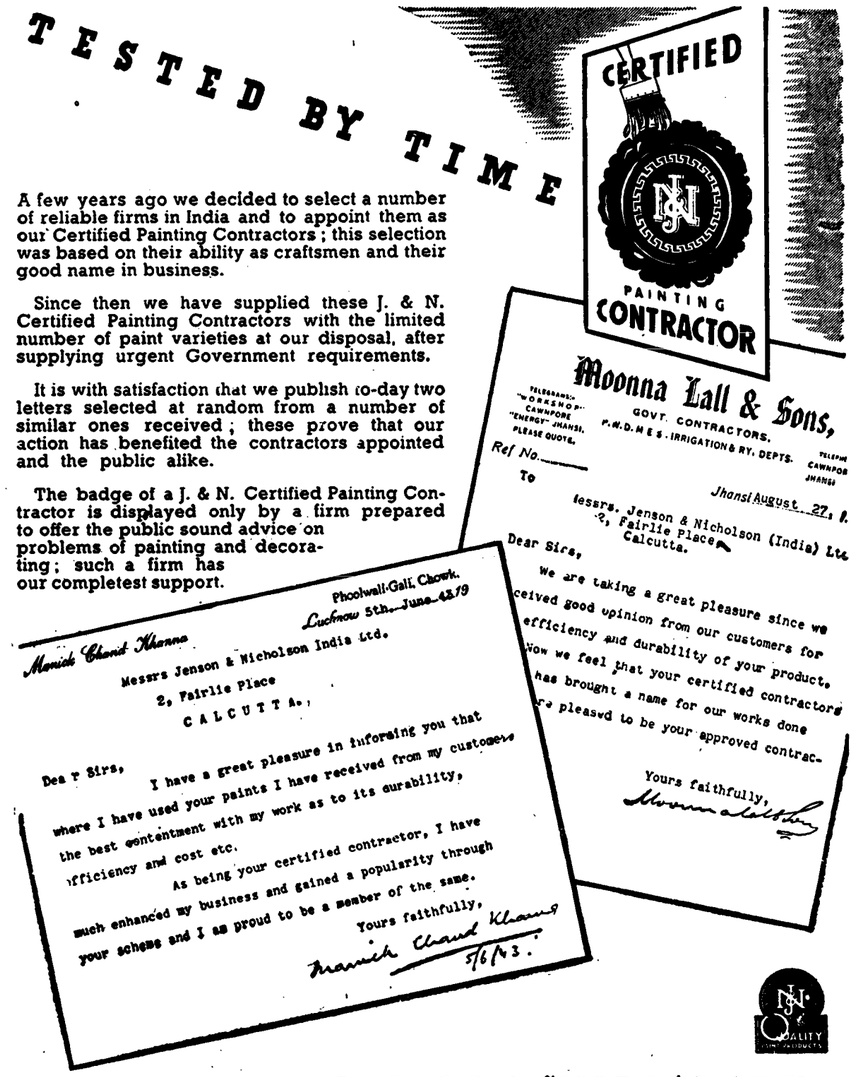
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THE CONTRAST

The British have given a clear hint that they object to the manner in which the French have handled the Lebanese problem. Nahas Pasha has denounced the French in no uncertain language on behalf of Egypt. Other Arab countries, too—barring, of course, Palestine which is significant but not difficult to understand; and including Iraq, Transjordania and even Saudi Arabia—have addressed protests against French policy to the British, which the British have very sympathetically fully publicised. The whole Arab world has been roused to indignation and their Parliaments and rulers have given official and public expression to Arab feelings.

Let us now consider the contrast which India offers. The crisis has aroused in India widespread sympathy for the Lebanese and indignation against the policy of the French authorities. In particular it has disturbed Muslims as profoundly as the Arabs themselves. But an adjournment motion on the subject in India's Central Assembly has been disallowed; and we have no doubt that the same fate awaits two similar motions in the Council of State. The so-called Parliament of India cannot speak on international problems that move her people so deeply. The incident constitutes the measure and nature of India's status as a member of the United Nations and an illuminating commentary in her rights and privileges. "India" was promptly made a belligerent in this war. "India" is invariably "represented" at all international conferences and "contributes" her quota to any amount of cash and in any kind of sacrifices which it pleases her rulers in Britain and India to impose on her. But when it comes to the question of ventilating Indian feelings on international problems, vitally interesting her people, in India's Legislature then —well, there are the remains of the adjournment motions on the Lebanon for us to console ourselves with.

League & Food Crisis

The resolution adopted by the Council of the All-India Muslim League regarding the food crisis in the country leaves a good deal to be desired. In the first place, in strange variance with the vehement denunciation of the British and Indian Governments by the spokesmen of the League for the gross ineptitude shown by both of these Governments in dealing with the food problem of this country, and the insistent demand made by more than one prominent Leaguer for a searching investigation into the circumstances that have brought about the crisis in Bengal, in the resolution adopted by the Council there is not a word about the need of any enquiry into the part played by either the British and Indian Governments or by any others in "manufacturing" the present famine conditions in several parts of India. There cannot be the least doubt in any honest mind that it is really a man-made famine that is facing the country to-day. It is extremely regrettable that the League's Council should have failed to insist on impartial and searching investigation into the grave food bungle which is costing Bengal in particular and the country in general thousands of lives every month.

The League leaders, especially those connected with the Bengal Ministry, do not appear to realise that their failure to join in the country-wide demand for a searching investigation would leave them open to the charge that they are not anxious that those responsible for plunging Bengal into its present dire plight should be brought to book and their bunglings and misdeameanours be thoroughly exposed, so that those who succeed them as administrators might not repeat their mistakes and misdeeds. From the trend of the debate in the Central Legislature it appears fairly likely that the Government circles there would exploit the shilly-shallying attitude of the Leaguers to circumvent the public demand for an open enquiry, by either dropping the proposal altogether or by agreeing to the appointment of an All-White "Royal Commission" which can result only in white-washing all officials and their supporters.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

The Only Question

Russian victories, taking into consideration only the significant ones, have been so many and have come in such regular succession that they are calculated to render one immune to surprises. It is paradoxical but true that spectacular successes have become commonplace and have ceased to be news! This is no exaggerated tribute to the Red Army and Russia's leaders. The situation is now such that the only reaction to reports of any new victory is the question: How far the Russians will have driven the Germans and to what condition will they have reduced Hitler's mighty Wehrmacht when their Anglo-American Allies launch the promised second front? That really is the only interesting question which remains for speculation.

Raid On Sofia

The American air raid on Sofia marks a new and welcome feature in the general Allied offensive against Germany. The fact that the attack was carried out by Mitchells, which are medium bombers and that they were escorted by long range fighters, is significant. With Italian airdromes as their bases, Allied air forces can, as a glance at the map will show, now operate in good strength over the whole of the Balkans and Greece, day and night, sweeping, strafing and bombing. And, of course, long range bevies can penetrate far into the hitherto safe eastern half of the so-called Greater Reich. Moreover, Sofia, as Reuter points out, "is the most vital railway hub in the Eastern Balkans .... is the shuttle centre for supplies from the Balkans and the Central European hinterland to the South Russian front. Any troop movements from the Balkans to Russia or from Russia to a threatened Balkan front must pass through the Bulgarian capital." The raid on Sofia and subsequent air activities in the Balkans can inflict great and telling damage, material and moral, to the Germans by destroying communications and supplies and by inevitably weakening the morale of the satellites. But they open opportunities of doing a great deal more. They make possible an immediate invasion of the Balkans.

Helots Of The Empire

The refusal by the Minister of the Interior of Natal to issue a permit to Mr. P. R. Pather to occupy the premises which he had bought before the Pegging legislation was introduced shows that the White authorities in South Africa are determined to enforce the segregation of the Indian community regardless of all consequences. So long as Churchill, Amery and Co., who are blatant high priests of White Imperialism, rule the destinies of this country, it is futile to cherish any hope that Indians in any of the Dominions and colonies of the British Empire will be treated better than political and economic helots of the White races. Only an independent India will be able to take up the challenge to the manhood of its nationals.

Workers' Demands

The Rastriya Girni Kamgar Sangh, Bombay, "has unanimously decided to present to the mill-owners four demands consisting of (1) increase in basic wages; (2) standardization of wages; (3) 4 months' full wages as bonus; (4) weekly wages or suitable and adequate advances. Considering the plight of workers in the present war conditions and the high prices made by the textile industry, the demands made cannot be described as unreasonable or impracticable. The Sangh proposes to proceed under the Bombay Industrial Disputes Act and is sending properly signed intimation and preliminary request to the Government Labour Officer. We share the Sangh's hope that the Government will expedite the machinery under the Act and refer the whole question of the above four demands to the arbitration of the Industrial Court. The procedure adopted is both constitutional and fair to all sides. It will be better still if an amicable settlement is effected between the millowners and the workers even before the dispute goes before the Industrial Court.

Muslim Directory Of India

Mr. S. M. Jamil Secretary, All-India Muslim Chamber of Commerce and Industry writes:—

All-India Muslim Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bombay, has decided to publish a Directory of the Muslims of India some time early next year. This Directory will be divided into several sections, such as Political, Commercial, Educational, Religious, Social Literary, General and so on. Every section will contain full information of the activities of the Muslims in that particular sphere. Eminent writers have also been approached to contribute articles on different topics concerning the Muslims of India. The Directory will also include the names and addresses of the Muslim officials of the Central and Provincial Governments, of Muslim Members of the Indian and Provincial Civil Services, and of the Muslim Members of the Assemblies, Councils, Corporations, District Boards, Municipalities, and of all other public bodies, and of all Muslim Judges, Barristers, Solicitors, Advocates, Lawyers, Doctors, Hakims, Professors, Artists, Architects and Engineers and of all those other professions in which the Muslims are engaged. A separate section for Ladies will also be added. The Muslim States and their activities will also be included. Authentic information on these subjects is being collected. Special attention is being paid to the commercial section so that it may represent a true picture of our economic position. An illustrated Cottage Industries Section is also being compiled to show the Muslims at work in various handicrafts.

We trust that the usefulness of this work of great national importance would be fully realised by the people of every school of thought. We believe that a survey of this nature at short intervals will be very helpful to accelerate the movements of our progressive elements. We, therefore, invite the co-operation of the general public to make this Directory as comprehensive and as informatory as it is possible.

I appeal to every Musalman to kindly put me in touch with all those Associations and individuals, whom he knows, are serving us in various departments of life. Please communicate their names and addresses to me at your earliest convenience.

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION BENGAL STARVATION RELIEF

Swami Sambuddhananda, President, Ramakrishna Mission, Khar writes:—Allow me to say a word to the generous public of Bombay particularly, to those who are interested in the relief of the suffering millions of Bengal, Orissa, Assam and Malabar. The Ramakrishna Mission has been carrying on relief operations in each and all these places. It is needless to say that the unstinted generosity of the people of Bombay has been an unfailing source of help to the helpless millions. But lately there has been some mischievous propaganda saying that there is no need of giving money as there is no rice available in Bengal.

The Ramakrishna Mission, which has been working over the most extensive area comprising not only Calcutta and its suburbs but also in as many as 18 other far off districts whence no 'A. P.' or 'U.P.' message has yet been available through a large number of town and village centres, is in a position to purchase any amount of rice not only from the sister provinces but also some from Bengal at Rs 19 per maund if the necessary funds be forthcoming.

I appeal fervently, therefore, to all the Associations and Institutions that have collected funds for relief, particularly, those who have been interrupted by these baseless rumours to send the Mission their timely quota of help and enable it to accomplish the huge task which it has undertaken.

The weekly expenditure of the Mission for her relief works all over the country is about a lakh. Any contribution sent to the President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, Bombay will be most thankfully acknowledged.

'Sunday Observer's' Tip To Wavell

Nehru May Yet Be Pivotal Figure For Political Manoeuvre

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Nov. 15.

The "Sunday Observer" writes: Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru may well be the pivotal figure in Viscount Wavell's first political manoeuvre.

In any country or society Mr. Nehru's distinction would be undeniable. He is personally irresistible being slight, and keen of quiet manner. At Westminster there are perhaps about 20 men whose spoken English is equal to his in purity. His 'Autobiography' proclaims his mastery over the language to which he was not born.

During more than 20 years he has not broken away from Mr. Gandhi. In public life of our time there is no partnership more significant than that of these two and certainly none more singular. They unite over one political idea, namely, complete freedom for India. In everything else they are opposed—the soul of this emancipated Hindu is the battleground of spiritual antagonism between himself and Mr. Gandhi and covers part of the complex self-contradiction.

Pt. Nehru has never had any tolerance for constitutional advance or political effort. His position in the nationalist movement is no less paradoxical than his relation towards Mr. Gandhi. Reform Acts are odious to him.

CRIPPS MISSION STORY

The Cripps Mission gave Pt. Nehru his only experience of negotiation with equals and to do him justice he displayed fine reasonableness. As the crisis developed he was against breaking off.

Mr. Gandhi and Nehru are men of the deepest compassion. Both of them do not yield even to the appeal of their fellow-countrymen in the silent agony of famine. Amid this calamity of most unknown in India for forty years, their combined service could be a benediction without limit.

What then is the conclusion of the matter?

Here is a man of intense patriotism and intellectual brilliance, one Indian of his time who by virtue of his knowledge and experience might be a personal bridge between India in its sorest need and the power over which India inevitably depends, but fear and pride, memories of mutual resentment have made him instead of prisoner of State, an enemy in his own land.

That is a pitiful failure.

Must it be fatal also?"

Army Entertainers Help Bengal Relief

In aid of Bengal Relief, the A.C.E.S. Concert Party gave a recital on Monday before a crowded house at the Taj. The two hours' programme consisted of musical pieces by Protiva Ghosh and dance items by Nilima Das, Lily, Monika, Dipti, Chandrajoy Sinha and Narendra Sharma. 'Siamese Gesture' and 'Burmese Pwe' were full of serpentine movements featured in Javanese style. Indian items, though advertised as 'Manipuri' and 'Kathak' did not conform to classic technique. 'Apsara', 'Manipuri Ballet' 'Harvest' 'Snankeela' and 'Bangle Seller' were encored for their colourful scenes and choreographic groupings. 'Spring Time' was well designed with a keen eye to colour and costumes. The team work of the party spoke of good direction and showmanship. Looking to the fact that the juggler, snake-charmer and the palmist are beloved of the army entertainers, the G. H. Q. should be congratulated for arranging such dance and music recitals for the benefit of Indian troops. The action of the army authorities in arranging this recital for the benefit of Bengal Relief is a graceful gesture to the 'Sons of Hindustan' and will go a long way to improve the relations between the military and the civilians.

K. A. C.

Wanted More Rice For Bassein

There is a great deal of discontentment among the people of Bassein, over the reduction of rice quota since 1st inst.

In this connection it is understood that the Bassein Taluka Peoples' Co-operative Society has made a representation to the Collector of Thana District, requesting him to make prompt arrangement to supply usual as well as additional quota of rice for the current month. The allotment of rice made for the Bassein Taluka for the month of August, September and October 1943, has been exhausted long ago and against the fresh quota for the current month only 1,000 bags of paddy have so far been received. There is considerable shortage of rice in the Taluka and the people are not getting their due quota which by itself is quite insufficient and unless immediate supply of rice is made famine condition will soon prevail in Bassein.

Will the Collector of Thana District, kindly comply with the request of the President of the Peoples Co-operative Society, and make prompt arrangement to supply sufficient quota of rice to Bassein and avoid starvation.

G. B. RAUT.

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Plight Of Government Pensioners

It is a matter of common knowledge not only of the general public but also of Government that the prices of food stuffs, clothing and almost every other commodity necessary to keep one alive have risen so abnormally high that the struggle for existence has become very difficult. The plight of poor pensioners who in their youthful days served Government faithfully deserves prompt consideration of Government, if they do not want that they should die a miserable death. The fact that during the last Great War when the prices of grains, etc., had not risen so high, dearness allowance was sanctioned to pensioners, is another plea in support of this prayer.

A. PENSIONER.

Appeal To City Fathers

As the population of Bombay has increased practically to double the size, people are found to be committing nuisance on public streets at night. Bombay has never experienced such a lack of civic sense. The only way to check this bad tendency is to erect more public urinals and lavatories (even of a temporary type). We hope our City fathers will be wide awake to this need otherwise there is every possibility of epidemics breaking out here as in Calcutta.

OM PRAKASH GOEL.

India And The Food Problem

61 Per Cent Of India's Population Poorly Or Badly Nourished

(By PROF. P. A. WADIA)

The White Paper published in England a few days ago examines the causes of the famine in Bengal and attributes the famine (1) to the fall of Burma, (2) to the cyclone of October, 1942, (3) to the hoarding that followed upon the fall of Burma and the air-raids on Calcutta and (4) to the floods which this year made transport to the presidency a difficult problem. After discussing the causes in some detail the White Paper adds that strenuous efforts are being made to relieve distress in Calcutta, and implies that the entire problem is a problem of distribution of foodstuffs in deficit areas, and purchased by Government of the necessary foodstuffs from what are regarded as surplus areas.

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As a matter of fact under present agricultural condition it could hardly be maintained that India is a self-sufficient country in respect of food. For instance, in 1934-35 whilst India produced 30.24 million tons of rice she imported 2.6 million tons mainly from Burma. Even after the separation of Burma in 1937-38, our imports of cleaned rice were 1.2 million tons. Dr. Radha Kamal Mukerjee in his "Food Planning for 400 Millions" calculates that India falls short of her food-requirements by 48 millions of her average men. In other words, he maintains, that in 1935 for example there was no home grown food for 48 millions. Similarly in an elaborate inquiry undertaken in 1933 in connection with Public Health aspects of village life in India, by Sir John McGaw, it was revealed that even on the low standards adopted by the doctors only 39 per cent of the people selected for inquiry in every province of British India were well nourished, 41 per cent poorly nourished and 20 per cent badly nourished. Bengal had 47 per cent poorly nourished and 31 per cent badly nourished. It was also pointed out that the position was even worse in Bihar and Orissa.

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It is in the light and background of these broad facts that the situation in Bengal has to be considered. For it is not merely Bengal which is passing through a crisis in the food situation to-day. There are other parts of India which will be, if they are not immediately, faced with a crisis. For example, the Divan of Travancore, Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyar, pointed out recently that unless attention was paid to the scarcity in Travancore and Cochin it would not be possible for him to undertake responsibility for the good temper and continued patience of the people.

In a country like India which even in normal times suffers from a shortage of food, and where this shortage is immensely aggravated by periodic famines or scarcity—so that it has been pointed out that in one village or other every five during a ten-year period in which there is no exceptional failure of rains scarcity of food occurs—a statesmanlike policy on the part of our rulers should have realised the necessity for taking precautionary measures in advance. Instead of this, what do we find? A policy of drift in keeping with the old traditions of 'laissez-faire' which smart the British administration in India in the period between 1918, and 1939, was continued even after the outbreak of war. It was not till December, 1942, that the first Food Conference was held, though the ridiculously food propaganda for a Grow More Food Campaign was devised earlier than 1942, with the backing of national War Front leaders devoid of any popular backing. Even the White Paper admits, so far as Bengal is concerned, that the next two and a half months will be the most critical period for the province. What is forgotten is that a similar situation might arise in other parts of the country, and the causes for such a situation do not need the expert analysis centering on minor incidents like cyclones and floods and air raids on which the White Paper lays stress so far as Bengal is concerned.

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Broadly speaking, in the first place, one has to take account of the rapidly growing population adding at the rate of 3.6 million every year to its numbers. In the second place, parts of the land devoted to agriculture may have been diverted to production for war purposes and other military requirements. Thirdly, it is difficult to estimate the total number of refugees and war prisoners who have found shelter in India during these last four years. In addition, there is a phenomenal number of foreign troops increasing even from month to month in the country. These huge armies have got to be maintained. They require and actually consume more food than civilian workers. The price of foodstuffs have risen far beyond the general rise in the level of wages. Even in peace times and in normal years millions living in the villages found it difficult to satisfy their food requirements on the wages that they received. In an article contributed to "The Indian Journal of Social Work" for December, 1941, Dr. Aykroyd pointed out "there can be no possible doubt that many millions in India never get enough food to eat."

With this phenomenal rise in the price of necessaries of life like food a population like that of India was inevitably doomed to sufferings like those we have witnessed in Bengal, in the absence of a planned and statesmanlike policy on the part of our rulers. And even now apathy and indifference apart from muddling seem to characterise the attitude of those who are ultimately responsible for the welfare of the people. If our rulers are our trustees such a trust would necessarily inspire greater concern for the welfare of Bengal than is evidenced by the reply given a few days ago by the Secretary of State for India in answer to a question whether commercial shipping for India was (1) on the priority list.

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Finally, it is significant that there has not been a single reference to India, in a speech made on October 27th made this year by Mr. Henry Wallace, the Vice-President of the U. S. A. Mr. Wallace's pronouncements are usually marked by their broad outlook and their perspective. But whilst he talks of food being the dominant issue of 1944 and the necessity of providing for the starving millions of Europe, the immediate needs of a country whose armies have been glorified in the public press from day to day for their heroism and bravery in the fight against the Axis Powers, find no place, not even a passing reference in the speech. Even at a critical time when America was busy transporting her armies and war materials to North Africa shipping was made available for supplying the food requirements of the civilian population. Obviously the starving millions of India do not matter.

The fundamental and real cause of the present crisis in Bengal is overlooked by the White Paper. Instead what are essentially subsidiary phenomena have been accentuated. The authors of recent publication "Our Economic Problem" point out "agriculture was never regarded as a vital industry. Nor has there been so far a well-directed agricultural policy by a Government anxious to provide adequate food for our growing numbers. ——It never occurred to anyone to ask if agriculture supplied adequate food for the rural population or if it helped the population to live above the bare margin of subsistence." The present crisis in India is not, therefore, merely a product of the situation created by the war, much less of incidents like flood and air-raids. It is tragic that a predominantly agricultural country like India should suffer from food shortage.

Destitutes In Calcutta Go Back To Their Villages

Bumper Aman Crop And Free Kitchens Come To Their Rescue

NEW DELHI, Nov. 16.

It is believed that most of ablebodied destitutes in Calcutta have left the town. The second biggest city in the Empire is, therefore, returning gradually to normal.

Several thousand destitutes have been collected by the authorities with the assistance of volunteers for repatriation to their villages and attempts are also being made to secure women volunteers for women destitutes. The mass of the destitutes have left for several reasons:

The anticipated bumper Aman crop of 10,000,000 tons which is already on the move in certain parts of Bengal, has sent the destitutes running back to their own villages where they hope to get rice more easily than in Calcutta;

Free kitchens have been opened in towns close to the villages from which the destitutes came;

Finally, there is the fear, arising out of ignorance, of being rounded up by the police for repatriation.

Collection of destitutes is the first step in the process of ultimate repatriation to the villages. The destitutes are collected and brought to Government relief and reception centres in Calcutta, where they are given aid, which is necessarily limited, and then sent to those camps outside the city which are nearest to their respective homes.

At present 9,000 destitutes at a time can be fed and housed at centres in Calcutta. Centres outside the city can receive over 60,000 persons where they are given over two meals a day, women and children and other needy cases receiving milk, food and clothes, blankets are distributed to the most needy.

But whether the destitutes roam in the streets of Calcutta or in village lanes, the problem still remains serious and will continue to be serious for several weeks to come, partly because of the limited medical resources of the Bengal Government and the army and partly because the new crop will not be available to the masses in any appreciable quantities until about the middle of January next.

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NAGPUR, Nov. 16: The Board of Directors of the Model and Badnera Mills have sanctioned cloth worth Rs. 5,000 from the Model Mills and Rs. 1,000 from the Badnera Mills to be given to the Ramkrishna Mission for distribution among the distressed people of Bengal.—United Press.

CAWNPORE, Nov. 16: From today a "Bengal aid week" is being observed in Cawnpore by students under the auspices of the local students' Union.—A. P.

Relief Works In Rayalaseema

MADRAS, Nov. 16.

Distress due to adverse seasonal conditions continued to prevail in parts of Bellary, Anatapur and Kurnool districts though there has been some slight improvement in the situation, states a press note. Thirty-one relief works in the Bellary district, 34 in the Anantapur district and 9 in the Kurnool district provided employment till the 15th. Thereafter the attendance in the works fell steadily owing to the commencement of agricultural operations with the result that at the end of the month, ten works in the Bellary district, four works in the Anantapur district and six works in the Kurnool district were closed. A total sum of Rs. 21,54,842 was sanctioned for the works in October 1943. During the month an additional sum of Rs. 71,000 was sanctioned for the provision of clothing to the needy in the famine camps in anticipation of a grant from the Indian People's Famine Trust.—A. P.

SEVERAL TRAPPED IN RAID RUINS

Nazi Bombers Over Britain: U. S. Planes Attack Targets In Norway

LONDON, Nov. 16.

Between fifteen and twenty persons were trapped in ruins of several houses when a town in south-west England was sharply raided early to-day.

During a sharp intensive raid on a town in South-west England fires occurred. There were casualties including some dead. Four persons were buried under the wreckage.

"Last night 'Mosquitos' of the Bomber command, two of which are missing, attacked objectives in Western Germany," states a 'communique. One of our fighters is missing from an offensive patrol during the night.

American heavy bombers attacked targets in Norway to-day, it is officially announced.

IN SEARCH OF NAZI CRUISER

The official 'communique' on United States heavy bombers attacking targets in Norway this morning coincides with unconfirmed reports from Stockholm that the German cruiser "Leuetzow" has been seen in northern Norwegian waters. "Luetzow" is believed to have been sent north to escort the German battleship "Tirpitz" on a dash for home. "Tirpitz" was badly damaged in September during an attack by a British midget submarine in the Alten Fjord.

The 'communique' itself has not yet specified targets of attack. The last raid on Norway was also carried out by large formations of the United States Eighth Army Air Force and was directed against industrial targets, chiefly the important aluminium plant at Heroya and submarine repair and maintenance works at Trondheim.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The Cairo Radio said to-day (Tuesday) that the situation on Leros has taken a turn for the better. The Germans are suffering extremely heavy losses. The resistance on the west coast of the island is slackening.—Reuter.

ANNIE BEASANT MADE INDIA HER HOME

Several Speakers Pay Tribute On Anniversary Of Her Landing

The futility of dividing India into two nations was stressed by several speakers whilst paying glowing tributes to the memory of Dr. Annie Beasant, at a public meeting held on Tuesday at Blavatsky Lodge, Bombay, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the landing of Mrs. Beasant in India. Dr. M R. Jayakar presided.

The President echoed the message of Mrs. Beasant: "I plead to you, Hindus and Muslims, to join in a common cry. 'One is the Motherland, One is the Nation! Two nations cannot exist on the same soil. We cannot have a Hindu Nation and a Mussalman Nation in India. We must have one Indian Nation from the Himalayas to Cape Comorin, from Bengal to Kathiawar," and remarked that to-day this patriotic call was more apt than ever.

Some of the quondam disciples of that lady of revered memory, he said, who worshipped at her feet in the Home Rule League, and had worked for the unity of India, were now trying to destroy their own work then accomplished under her direct inspiration.

Dr. Jayakar recalled Dr. Beasant's magnificent work in the field of social reforms, religious tolerance and the spread of non-enslaving education in this country.

Who would not long for those days when under the miracle worked by her even Mr. Jinnah, who is now demanding his Pakistan stood for a united motherland, concluded the speaker, and added: "I hope we all will unite once again."

Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla said that Mrs. Beasant had made two main contributions to Indian politics. Before her politics were a game of drawing-room politicians. She took Indian politics into the open air and handed them right to the masses.

She made Indians realise their national self-respect and taught them to be proud of it. She destroyed the colour complex and showed that pigmentation of the skin did not make one a lesser human being. She put India on the cultural map of the world.

She adopted this country which she loved passionately, devotedly and intensely, observed the speaker.

SHE WAS AN EXCEPTION

Mr. M. R. Masani, the Mayor of Bombay, said: India had in the course of her history managed to absorb and assimilate one race of invaders after another. Dravidians, Aryans, Scythians, Arabs, Afghans, Turks and Mongols had all poured their blood and their culture into the common pool. The British alone have refused to make India their home and have preferred to remain birds of passage. Mrs. Beasant was one of the few honourable exceptions. Apart from her services to the cause of Indian freedom, she had earned our tribute as an educational reformer, as a social iconoclast and as one of the founders of the Fabian Society and the inspirer of the first labour union in India.

Mr. K. M. Munshi said that Mrs. Beasant taught Indians that mere political changes were not enough, but the country had to work for the complete elimination of foreign rule. To all outside India she stood as the spearhead of the Indian national movement just as Mahatma Gandhi is to-day, added Mr. Munshi.

Lady Rama Rau said that Dr. Beasant's work in India was a living monument to her. She was also the first to start a women's movement in this country and she stressed the need for educated women to organise themselves and march side by side with men. Her inaugural work had resulted in various women's organisations all over the country.

Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas also paid fitting tributes in an eloquent speech.

Saris As Gifts From British And U. S. Servicemen

Saris are replacing silk stockings as Christmas gift Number. One sent by British and U. S. Servicemen in India to wives and sweethearts at home. Stockings are scarce and expensive, and the sari has the advantage that it is a more novel present.

Silk merchants have sold thousands of saris to British and American officers during the last few weeks. Many dealers are giving the purchaser a printed slip, complete with diagram, showing how the sari should be worn.

ALLAHABAD, November 16: To perpetuate the memory of late Mahamahopadhyaya Ganganath Jha, Vice-Chancellor the Allahabad University, an Oriental Research Institute named after him is being established in Allahabad. Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya will declare the institute open tomorrow.—A. P.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Holly and mistletoe will be an unexpected addition to many Service messes and canteens in India this Christmas. For the first time in its long history the Army is to make an official issue . . .

The mistletoe and holly will be brought from the hills around Simla, Darjeeling, and the Kulu Valley. To facilitate speedy transport some of it may be despatched by air.

But the Army's biggest headache will be to find the girls to kiss under the mistletoe!

—Press Report.

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According to Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas "no agricultural country (like India) could exist and thrive without expansion of industries to support agriculture."

In that case how would it support "trusteeship", its main duty and obligation?

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A motion in the Central Assembly asking for a public trial of Mr. Amery, Lord Linlithgow and Sir John Herbert has been ruled out by the President, according to a New Delhi message.

We don't blame the Hon'ble President. It's no fault or his that these gentlemen can constitutionally do no harm and that the question of any demand by India for their trial simply doesn't arise.

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"We will not get swaraj by begging. We must fight for it."—Mr. A. N. Surve on his 61st birth day.

We wish him many happy returns of the day.

But—where does Mr. Surve intend to spend his 62nd birthday?

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A New Delhi message says that declaring—perhaps as a sort of general warning—that Muslim India was closely watching the Lebanese situation, Nawab Bahadur Yar Jang "requested the British Government to intervene in the matter and get the Lebanese leaders released thus pacifying the Muslim World."

It is a pity that while he was at it, the Muslim leader omitted to mention the matter of Palestine and the Palestine leaders.

Or was it—er—rather irrelevant?

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Have you noticed that every country has protested against the French attitude in the Lebanon crisis except Palestine even though all these protests have been addressed to the British?

If you have, at least don't ask "why?"

By that exception hangs a tale which had better not be exposed to public view.

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Talking of the Lebanon Crisis, the Junior Colleague suggests that M. Helleu should be dismissed and Lord Linlithgow and Sir Reginald Maxwell should be called in and all would soon be well not only in the Lebanon but also in Britain where they appear to be—er—so profoundly shocked by the Crisis.

We almost feel inclined to agree.

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Mr. Cordell Hull is reported to have declared that "no two countries had more common interests and fewer conflicting interests in the world economic field than the Soviet Union and the United States."

Not even the U. K. and the U.S.? Mr Cordell Hull seems to us to have done a great injustice which he must immediately redress and to be contemplating a graver injustice which he mustn't.

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"City Police Lead Over Young Sports" says a headline.

They would.

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"Why don't you get something for those bad feet of yours, Pat?"

"Oi-ve tried some of them cornflakes, but they're darned uncomfortable in me socks."

"French Wihout Tears"

Terence Rattigan's rollicking comedy, "French Without Tears" an outstanding success in London will be produced by Don Tasker, with the aid of a brilliant supporting cast, two performances have had an outstanding success. A third performance to be held on Friday 19th instant at 6-30 p.m. at Sunderbai Hall, Queen's Road.

Tickets:—Rs. 7, Rs. 5, Rs. 3 and Re. 1 are available at Messrs. S. Rose and Co., and at the gate. This performance like the previous ones will be in aid of the All-India Women's Conference Fund for Bengal Relief.

NEW RUSSIAN ONSLAUGHTS

LONDON, Nov. 16.

A German 'communique' to-day reported new Soviet onslaughts in the great Dnieper bend south-west of Dniepropetrovsk and north of Krivoi Rog.

From Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow:—

Gen. Vatutin's Red Army cavalry swinging out across the plains north-west of Kiev towards Korosten and the next junction of Ovruch, 40 miles to the north, is rapidly clearing the whole area between Kiev and the Pripet Marshes.

The capture of Kaganovichi, reported in the latest Soviet 'communique' has brought Gen. Vatutin level with the Pripet-Dnieper confluence and less than 25 miles from Ovruch.

The fall of Krosten is expected hourly in Moscow.

Once this northern flank of the great Russian salient has been consolidated, Gen. Vatutin will be free to swing round for an all-out drive southwards against the defence line along river Bug.

DEMEKHI CAPTURED

North of the Kiev bulge, Soviet cavalry and tanks, in a bold surprise break-through from the Dnieper bank bridge-head, have captured the town of Demekhi, seven miles west of Rechitsa, and cut the Gomel-Pinsk road and the railway which cuts the marshes in two.

Gomel, southern hinge of the White Russia front, is now cut off from the rear with the Red Army standing on three sides.

The Russians are pouring into the gap in German lines created by the break-through across Gomel's only railway-line to the west across the Dnieper. Gomel has already long been closely invested on the eastern side.

KAGANOVICHI CAPTURED

Monday's Soviet communique stated: "During November 15 in the Korosten direction our troops captured Kaganovichi, district centre of the Kiev region, and over 40 other inhabited localities.

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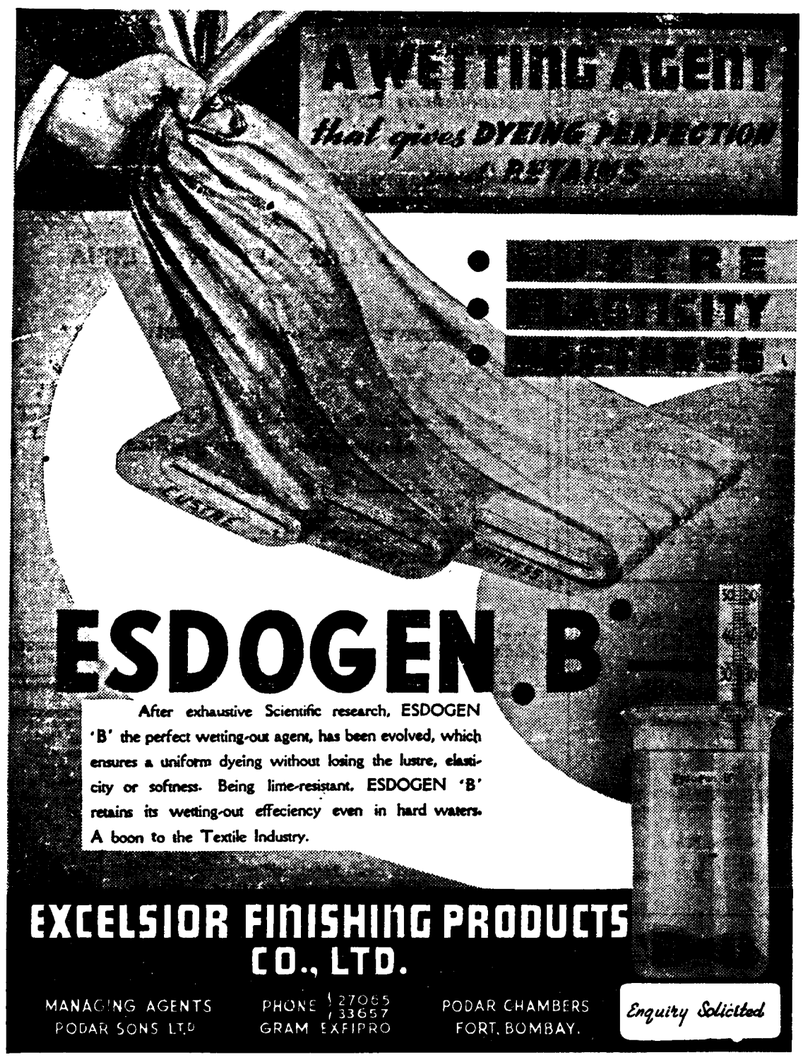

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INDIAN CONVICTED

Permit Under Pegging Act Refused

DURBAN, Nov. 16.

The Minister of Interior has refused an application by Mr. P. R. Pather, prominent member of the Natal Indian Association, for a permit under the Pegging Legislation to allow him to occupy the premises he had bought.

This was revealed in a Magistrate's court when Mr. Pather appeared to show cause why sentence should not be passed on him in consequence of his conviction on July 9.

Mr. Pather was convicted on July 9 of having occupied premises at a date after March 22 at which date the premises were not deemed to have been in the occupation of an Asiatic and remanded to come up for sentence within six months.

Before Mr. Pather was sentenced, he submitted a lengthy statement setting out Indian aims and the Magistrate, saying he wished to read this statement, remanded the case to November 26.

Gloucester As Governor-General

LONDON, Nov. 15.

It is officially announced that the Duke of Gloucester has been appointed Governor General of Australia.—

The Duke succeeds Lord Gowrie whose term of office is being further extended for six months from January 22, 1944".

The Duke who is the first Royal Governor General of Australia will take with him the Duchess and their son Prince William of Gloucester who will be two years old in December.

No definite arrangements have yet been made for his journey. Seventy-one year old Lord Gowrie had been Governor General of Australia for seven years—Longer than anyone before him.

MELBOURNE: The President of the Victoria branch of the Australian Labour Party, Mr. Lovegrove, said that the appointment of the Duke of Gloucester as Governor-General did not accord with Labour policy, the Federal platform of which affirmed the principle of appointing an Australian citizen.

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CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Nov. 15.

SHARES: The local Stock Exchange was quiet today with scattered selling. Investors are inclined to take more interest in Bank and public Utility concerns. Speculators who used to be ardent supporters of textile shares, are holding aloof while cement shares show increased activity in view of approaching dividend. At the moment the market is uninteresting and any small decline is inducing replacement purchases while rallies increase offerings. The market is contented with small profits wherever they accumulate. Money market remains easy and the industrial outlook remains constructive, there is no inducement to lend more support and most of the operators have adopted wait and watch policy. This explains the inaction of the market at present. Tata Steel Defd. shares opened at Rs. 1,912 and ruled quiet at Rs. 1,900 while ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 396. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1,942 and Century Mill shares changed hands at Rs. 943. Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 625. The market was barely steady with a limited turnover.

Towards the close there was increased selling in a narrow trading and quotations registered further losses. The market closed very quiet.

TEXTILE SECTION: Ahmed. Advance 492-8, Apollo 5-9, Bharat Mills 83-8, Bom. Dyeing 1036-4 Cent. India 466-8, Century 938, Colaba 242, Dawn 1840, E.D Ordy 20, do Defd 3-15-1/2, Edward Sassoon 742-8, Elphinstone 92, Finlay 333, Gokak 340, Hindustan 4100, Ind. Bleaching 231-8, Indore Malwa 1155, Ind. Manig 4100, Khatau xd 442-8, Kohinoor 619, Lakshmi 1730, Madhowji 28-4, Minerva 225, Model Nagpur 346-4, Morarji 790, Madhusudan 552-8, Meyer Sassoon 218-12, Mysore xd. 272-8, New City 405, New Great 426, Phoenix 697-8, Podar Mills 385; Sassoon Spg. 31-6; do Silk 102; Sholapur 8810, Shri Nivas 412-8, Simplex 281, Swadeshi 601, Swan 302, Tata Mills 75-8, Vishnu 2655 Western India 3435.

INSURANCE SECTION: Bom. Life 207 Empire Life 806-4 Oriental 6050, Indust. & Prudent 38, Ind. Mercantile 92-12, Jupiter 28-2, New India 78, Vulcan 16-15.

HYDRO & ELEC. SECTIONS: Ahmedabad Elec. 191-14, Ajmere 14-4, And. Valley Ord xd 1835, Bom. Suburban 197-8, Bom Tram Ord xd 159 Broach 13-10, Karachi 261-4, Poona 300, Surat 195-4, do New Rs. 50/Pd. 70-8, Tata Hydro Ord. xd. 198-8 Tata Power Ord. 1845.

BANK SECTION: Baroda Bank 137, Bank of India 196-8, Cent. Bank xd. 86, Imp. P.P. 1887-8, do P.P 469-8 Reserve Bank 129, Union Bank 9-11, Habib Bank 86-8.

PREF SHARES: 7 per cent Ahd. Valley xd. 1713-12, 6 per cent Bom. Steamer 347-8, 7 per cent Bom. Tram 80-8, 5 per cent Cent. India 726-12, 5-1/2 per cent Jupiter 19-12, 6-1/2 per cent Surat 193-12, 6-1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 1st 136, 6-1/4 per cent do 2nd. 135, 6 per cent Tata I. & S. 1st 222, 7-1/2 per cent do 2nd 154, 7 per cent do Hydro 175, 7 per cent do Power 1770, 7 per cent Vishnu 785,

DEBENTURES: 4 per cent And. Valley 106, 4 per cent Tata Chem 280, 4 per cent Tata Power 106, 6 per cent Marsland Price 121.

RAILWAY SECTION: Ahmed. Prantej 852-8, Dhond Baramati 118, Cent. Prov. 108, Guzerat 97, Hoshiarpur Doab 106, Mandra Bhon 103, Mymensingh Rebt 105, do Gtd 104, Sara Sirajganj 105, Sialkot Narowal 124 do New 54, Upper Sind Lt. 116.

MISC. GROUP: Alembic Chem. 341-4, Alcock Ashdown 557-8, Asso. Cement 229, B. B. Petrol 3 Bom. Burma Old 425, Bom. Burma New 154-2, Bom. Steamer 657-8, Belapur 262-8, Dena Invest. 28, Invest Trust 61-8, Prem. Const. 211, Port Canning 105, Radio Ord. 501-4, Radio Defd. 481-4, Scindia 36-4, Shivrajpur 73, Tata Ordy. 393-8 Tata Defd. 1891-4, Tata Chem. 32-14, Tata Oil 88, Wimco. 318-12, B. I. C. 6-6, Burma Corp. 3 8-1/2, Ind Copper 2 9-1/2, Ind. Iron 35-8, Steel Corp. 27, New Vict. Ord. 10-7, Hindustan Com-Bank 63-8, United Com. Bank 71-8, Elphinstone Pref. 198-12, Bradbury Ord. 365, Bradbury Pref. 561, Dharamsi Chem. 69-12.

GOVT. SECURITIES: 2-3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 99-12, 3-1/2 per cent G. P. Note 97-2, 3 per cent 1946 Def. Loan 102-5, 3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 100-9, 3 per cent 1951-54 Loan 100-2, 3 per cent 1963-65 Loan 98-2, 4-1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 115-8, 3-1/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 103-7, 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 111-14, 3 per cent 1953-55 Def. 100-12-8.

CORP. DEBENTURES: 4 per cent B P T 1974 113, 4 per cent M Deb. 1974 113, 5 per cent M Deb. 1959 121, 6 per cent M Deb. 1954 130, 6 per cent K P T 1956 134.

TAXFREE LOANS: 5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 106-4, 4 per cent Mysore 1953-63 123, 5 per cent Mysore 1955 134.

BULLION: Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d and New York spot silver was placed at 44-3/4 cents. Today the Bank sold thirty thousand tolas of gold at Rs. 77/4 as spot quotation is over forward. The market for delivery opened at Rs. 76/12 and after declining to Rs. 76/8 steadied at Rs. 76/10. Silver for delivery was quoted at Rs. 121/4. Trading continues restricted and quotations are fluctuating within a narrow range. The market tendency is downward.

The market ruled quiet. Quotations: Ready gold Rs. 76/8, delivery Rs. 76/1. Sovereigns Rs 53. Ready silver Rs. 122 delivery Rs. 120/10.

COTTON: Recent movement of prices in different deliveries indicate that some traders are getting interested into straddle operations which need no deposit. This lead to increased selling in March option against purchases of January. In normal course this situation will not offer any inducement to accept tenders against January option as it will be unprofitable to hedge actual cotton in March delivery. The market opened at Rs. 452/8 for January delivery and in sympathy with weakness in Bullion market, declined to Rs. 450/8. There was utter absence of any saupport anad January declined to Rs. 449/8 while March was quoted at a discount of rupee one.

Later reports of increased arrivals and lower prices in upcountry markets, induced increased selling pressure and prices declined to Rs. 446/8.

Prices declined to Rs. 445/8 when short covering appeared and January recovered to Rs. 447/8. There was renewed selling and prices further declined to a new low level at Rs. 443. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:

	Rs.	a.	p.
I. C. C. Jan.	443	8	0
" Mar.	443	8	0
" May	448	0	0

COTTON PARITY: I.C.C. January is below New York January 226 points at Exchange rate 331.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

T. S. Ord. (396/8) 396/8 98 97 98 94/8 95/8 93/8; T. S. Dfd. (1906/4) 1910 15 5 15 10 1897 1901 1897 1900 1891/4; Bom. Dyeing (1951/4) 1960 55 57 50 67 60 56 40 42 40 36/4; Century (946) 945 49 45 48 46 40 41 38; Kohinoor (628) 628 29 27 31 29 24 19; Swadesh (611) 611 8 10 9 1 4 2 1; Nagpur (464) 467 70 67 73 71 68 69 67 66/8; Simplex (280/8) 281 85 83/8 82 81; New Great (426, 428 31/8, 29 30 26; P. Construction (209) 210 8 10 9 7 11; Cement (222, 222/8 24/8 21 220.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON QUOTATIONS

	High	Low	Close
I. C. C. Jan.	454	452	452/8
" Mar	454/4	451/12	452
" May	460	456/4	456/4

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Nov. 15.

To-day's price.

December 19.76+06; January 19.72+06; March 19.51+06; May 19.27+09; July 19.04+09, October 18.79+09; March highest 19.54+09 (10-23 a.m.) March lowest 19.46+01 (10-5 a.m.); Middling Spot 20.45+03.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December 19.92+09, January 19.83+09, March 19.86+09; May 19.44+11; Middling spot 19.62+03.

NEW YORK COTTON

Noon Call.

December 19.78; March 19.53; May 19.27.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, Nov. 16.

QUOTATIONS AT 2 P.M.

Tata Ordy 395; Tata Defd. 1900; India Iron 35-8; Steel Corpn of Bengal 26-12; Bombay Dyeing 1941-4; Central India 470; Century 940; Gokak 340; Kohinoor 624; Simplex 280-8; Andhra Valley 1.825; Tata Hydro 198-2; Tata Power 1845; Associated Cement 221; Belapur and Bombay Burma (old) unquoted.

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. Six Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 16th November 1943. Total amount offered was Rs. 13,20,50,000+Rupees thirteen crores, twenty lakhs, fifty thousand only). Tenders at Rs. 99-12-9 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-12-6 allotted approximately 77 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. Six Crores, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-13-8 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Six Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday the 23rd November 1943, in Bombay up to 11 a.m. (Standard Time) and up to the close of business on Monday the 22nd November 1943, at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday the 26th November 1943. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 12th November 1943, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 1,81,00,000—(Rupees one crore eighty-one lakhs only) were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

The Half-Column "By Dim"

Every year there is an examination for the clerical cadre of the Post and Telegraphs. This year's examination has attracted considerable attention and I understand that even the Post Master General is worried about certain events in this department. The matter is obviously of public interest and it is hoped the Post Master General will treat it as such.

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An A. P. message says that the request of the Mayor of Calcutta to the King to appoint a Royal Commission to investigate into the causes that led to the Bengal situation has been referred to the Secretary of State for India. It seems very doubtful that Mr. Amery will preside over his own liquidation. (The idea is used with apologies to Mr. Churchill).

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The Sikhs have congratulated Mr. Masani on becoming a Mayor. They must have said: "Sic transit mundi gloria".

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Raja Ghaznafar Ali Khan, a Parliamentary Secretary in the Punjab, claimed that the Government of India was wholly incompetent and inefficient and he said there could be no improvement in the situation as long as the "highly incompetent persons who manned the Government of India remained in office". This sort of thing does the Government of India a grave injustice and one hopes—for the sake of India—that the impression will be duly corrected by OUR Spokesmen in England and America. Another "50 Facts about India" are necessary.

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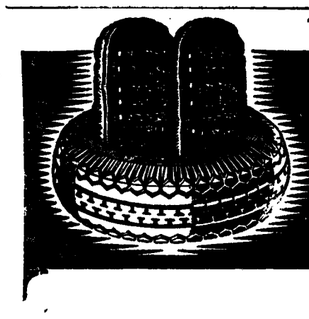

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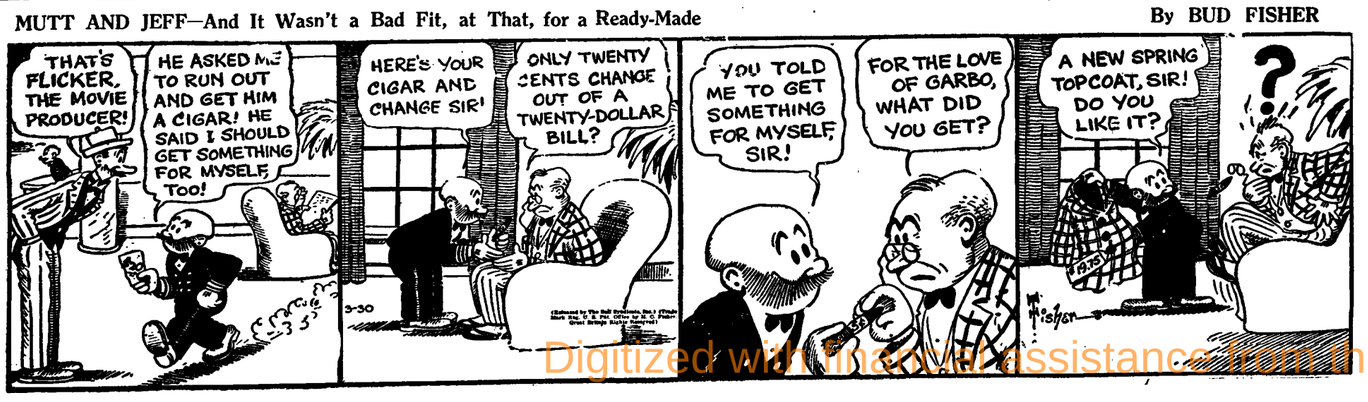
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Wanted—Experienced Paint and Varnish Technologist competent to design and set up plants independently. Write with full particulars of qualifications, age, experience and minimum salary acceptable with copies of testimonials to Swaika Oil Mills, 28A Pollock Street, Calcutta. 6840

Applications are invited for the posts of Lecturers in the K. E. Board's proposed Arts College at Dharwar, in English, Kannada, Sanskrit, Ardhamagadhi, History and Economics, Geography, Logic and Mathematics, stating qualifications, experience, age etc., Applications should reach the undersigned before 1-12-1943, Secretary, Karnatak Education Board, Fort, Dharwar. (6830)

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43. SITUATIONS WANTED

Qualified Matriculate Bookkeeper, aged 28, knowing typewriting, independent correspondence, good handwriting, eight years' extensive experience as Accountant-Cashier requires permanent situation. Excellent references. Salary about 150. Apply Box No. 3251, "Bombay Chronicle."

62. TO BE LET

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303 MACHINERY WANTED

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651 MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

Wanted: Staff Nurses—Pay Rs 60—5—100 p.m. each. Board Allowance Rs. 30/- p.m. plus Rs. -/8/- per day each. Uniform allowance Rs. 10/- p.m. and Dearness Allowance Rs. 12/- p.m each, with free furnished quarters. Apply at once with copies of certificates to the Lady Superintendent, Lady Willingdon Hospital, Lahore. The candidates must be registered in the Punjab as general trained Nurses and Midwives. 6836

PUBLIC NOTICES

MORVI-RAILWAY.

Stores Superintendent's Office, Morvi, 26-10-1943.

TENDER NOTICE FOR SLEEPERS.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the supply of 12,500 (twelve thousand and five hundred) M.G. half round best jodka teak sleepers of the standard Metre Gauge dimensions of not less than 6' x 9" x 4" for 1st class and 6' x 8" x 4" for 2nd class for delivery 10,000 Nos. for F.O.R. Wankaner Jn. and 2500 Nos. for Dhrangadhra.

2. Inspection to be commenced within three weeks from the receipt of our order and to be completed within one month from date of commencement.

3. Payment to be effected on the actual count turned out at destination stations.

4. The tender which may be submitted on the Tenderer's own form should be addressed to the Stores Superintendent, Morvi Railway, Morvi, superscribed "Tender for Metre Gauge Sleepers" and accompanied with Rs. 500/- as earnest money.

5. Tenders will be received in this office upto 28th December 1943. Those received after that date will not be considered.

6. Copy of the tender conditions and specifications can be had from this office on payment of Re. 1/- one.

(Sd.) D. GORADIA.
Ag. Stores Superintendent.
Stores Superintendent's Office,
Morvi, Dated, 26-10-43. (6827)

THE BANK OF BARODA LIMITED.

NOTICE TO COUPON-HOLDERS.

THE HOLDERS of coupons issued by The Bank of Baroda Limited as part of the scheme for increase of capital set out in the Company's Circular Letter dated the 31st March 1943 are hereby informed that the date for receipt by the Company at its Head Office at Baroda of the application for a share in the form endorsed on the coupon and for surrendering coupons has been extended to the 15th December, 1943.

By Order of the Board.
W. G. GROUNDWATER,
General Manager.
Baroda, 16th November, 1943. (6833)

TENDER NOTICE.

THE DIRECTOR OF MUNITIONS Production (Purchase Branch), Phoenix Building, Ballard Estate, Bombay, invites tenders for:

GAUZE COPPER WIRE
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Price of Tender Form is Rs. 4/- per Set and is neither refundable nor transferable. Payment should be made in cash or by Money Order only to the Director of Munitions Production, (Purchase Branch) Bombay, quoting tender No. and remitter's full address on the coupon in the case of Money Order.

Tenders will be received upto 11 A. M. on 26-11-43 and opened at 12 Noon on 26-11-43 in Public. (6832)

NOTICE

WANTED IMMEDIATELY drivers experienced in running high speed diesel engines. Pay according to qualification from 100 to 150 p.m. Must be literate in English. Duty in Mofussils of Karachi. Free accommodation. Applications to be addressed to SECRETARY, Joint Water Board, Karachi. 6693

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I have sold and transferred my business of Manufacture and Sale of Aerated Waters, carried on by me under the name of "PALONJI HEERJI & SONS" at Dhobitalao, to Messrs. Chandulal Chotalal Shah, Chimanlal Chotalal Shah, Devendra Mofatlal and Jamshed Merwan Irani and I shall not be responsible for any liabilities incurred by them as and from the 20th day of Sept., 1943.

Dated this 17th Nov. 1943.
K. J. ANTIA,
Late Proprietor.
Palonji Heerji & Sons. 3257

SECOND NOTICE

VIKRAM BI-MILLENNIUM CELEBRATIONS

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A Premium of Rs. 500 is offered to the Author of the Design placed first by the Assessors. All Designs submitted will be publicly exhibited, both in Ujjain and in Bombay, after the publication of the Award.

JOINT ASSESSORS:

Mr. Claude Batley, appointed by the Indian Institute of Architects.
Mr. F. G. Pearce, appointed by the Central Committee, Vikram Bi-Millennium Celebrations.

UMPIRE:

Mr. S. H. Parelkar, President of the Indian Institute of Architects.

Last date for submission of Designs .. 15th December 1943
Last date for submission of..... ..Questions 22nd November 1943.

The revised conditions of the Competition may be obtained on payment of one rupee, to cover printing and postage, from the Honorary Secretary of the Indian Institute of Architects, Prospect Building Annexe, Hornby Road, Bombay.

November, 1943. (6842)

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
Public Health Department
NOTICE

TENDERS for the supply of all or any of the following articles alternatively for 6 months and for one year from 1-3-1944 will be received by the Municipal Commissioner on 1-12-1943 not later than 1 P. M. (B. T.)

Gram or Mung or Math about 14,90,000 lbs. Barley about 15 00. lbs. Oil cakes about 18.250 lbs. and Salt about 9,625 lbs.

The Municipal Commissioner reserves to himself the right of accepting any Tender wholly or splitting it up amongst two or more Tenderers.

Tenders should be enclosed in a SEALED ENVELOPE which MUST BE ENDORSED "TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF GRAIN TO THE MUNICIPAL CATTLE" addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the Office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay.

Forms of Tender specifications etc. will be issued to any one on payment of Rupee one only by the undersigned from whom further information if required can be obtained.

B. C. DAS GUPTA,
Executive Health Officer,
Public Health Department,
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 15-11-1943. 6832

NOTICE.

The Schools Committee's Office, Bombay, 12th November 1943.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for posts of male teachers for teaching English in the Municipal Upper Primary Hindi Schools. The applicants must have Hindi as their mother tongue and must be at least graduates of a recognised University. Graduates with a Training Certificate or Diploma would be preferred. The grade salary for trained graduates is Rs. 100-5-130 and for ordinary graduates it is Rs. 75-5-150 plus Rs. 14 p.m. as Grain Compensation Allowance.

Applicants will have to come for an interview to Bombay before the Schools Committee, at their own cost and if selected, will have to serve on probation for one year and will be amenable to the revised Municipal Service Regulations and the Municipal Provident Fund Regulations.

Applicants must state in their applications, their mother tongue, qualifications, age, year of passing the examination, subjects taken for the Degree Examinations and particulars of previous experience, if any, and should address their applications to the Secretary, Schools Committee, Gilder Tank Building, Lamington Road, Bombay (7), so as to reach her not later than 24th November, 1943.

K. KHANDVALA,
Secretary, Schools Committee.
The Schools Committee's Office,
Bombay, 12th November, 1943. 6831

G. I. P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for reconditioning of scrap lead battery with dust. Forms obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Rs. 2 per copy not refundable. Money Order or cash only. Closing date 30-11-1943 at 3 P.M. (S.T.). 6828

NOTICE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY invites sealed tenders for the purchase of unused Hessa in Sand Bags of which about 3 million are at the Wagle Estate, Thana, 1,40,000 in Bombay City and 2,20,950 in Poona. The Sand Bags are standard military-size in bales of 1,000 each and samples may be seen at the A. R. P. Headquarters, Bombay, or in the Collector's Office, Poona. Tenderers may quote for whole or part. Government does not bind itself to accept any or the highest tender. Quotations should be per 100 bags, and submitted to the A. R. P. Controller, A.R.P. Headquarters, Council Hall, Bombay, before 12 noon on Thursday December the 2nd, marked "quotation for Sand Bags". Earnest money at the rate of 8 annas per 100 bags must be deposited by all tenderers. 6788

NOTICE

THE BARODA CRYSTAL GLASS WORKS, LIMITED, a Company, registered in the Baroda State has obtained the consent of the Central Government to the issue in British India of Capital to the value of Rupees Four Lacs divided into 30,200 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10/- each and 9,800 five per cent redeemable cumulative Preference Shares of Rs. 10/- each under the Defence of India Rule 94 A and has also obtained the consent of the Baroda Government to the issue in the Baroda State of Capital to the value of Rupees Seven Lacs divided into 45,200 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10/- each and 24,800 five per cent redeemable cumulative Preference Shares of Rs. 10/- each under the Defence of India Rule 94 A, as applied to the Baroda State. Out of the said issue of Rupees Seven Lacs, 41,090 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10/- each and 22,730 five per cent redeemable cumulative Preference Shares of Rs. 10/- have been underwritten by Messrs. Jivatlal Partapshi, Share and Stock Brokers, Bombay.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1943.

For The Baroda Crystal Glass Works, Limited.,
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N. J. GOR,
Director.
Managing Agents. 6839

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

THE BRITISH BURMA PETROLEUM CO., LTD
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. 53305 for 25 Shares bearing distinctive Nos. 49145 to 49169 standing in the name of HIRALAL BULAKHIDAS is reported LOST. All persons having any lien, claim or interest in the same are requested to inform the Company within fifteen days from date, after which the company will issue duplicate Certificate for the said 25 Shares.

(Sd.) HIRALAL BULAKHIDAS. 3261

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for posts of Assistants in Sales Department. Only those with previous experience or Graduate need apply with copies of testimonials and stating minimum salary acceptable to The Swastik Oil Mills Ltd., Wadala, Bombay 15. 3253

THE MADRAS AND SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED
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STAFF SELECTION BOARD

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for Apprentice Asst. Train Examiners on Rs. 21/-, Rs. 1-8-0, Rs. 27/- plus a Dearness Allowance which at present is Rs. 8/-, Rs. 11/- or Rs. 14/- per mensem according to the Zone in which selected candidates are appointed to work.

2. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:— Passed S. S. L. C. or its equivalent.

3. AGE:— Candidates born between 1st November, 1924 and 1st November, 1926, only are eligible.

4. MINIMUM HEIGHT:— 5' 4" with good physique.

5. EYE SIGHT: Normal without glasses.

6. PROCEDURE: — Write by POST to the Secretary, Staff Selection Board, M. & S. M. Railway, Park Town, Madras for an application form enclosing a stamped addressed envelope and a Crossed Indian Postal Order for One Rupee payable to the Paymaster and Cashier, M. & S. M. Railway, Madras. No request for an application form will be entertained unless the above instructions are observed. Money Orders or Cash will not be accepted. The application form must be completed and forwarded by POST to reach the address below not later than 6th December, 1943, quoting as reference Advertisement No. 12. Applications from sons of employees or ex-employees of the M. & S. M. Railway must be accompanied by a copy of certificate of service from an officer of the department in which the applicant's father is or was working.

7. GENERAL:— Selected candidates will be required to pass the Company's medical test and must be prepared to work anywhere on the M. & S. M. Railway. Applications must be accompanied by copies of certificates regarding Education, Character, etc. Originals must not be sent. Candidates who are called for interview will be required to produce original certificates.

SECRETARY,
Staff Selection Board,
M. & S. M. Ry., P. T., Madras.
Advertisement No. 12. 6829

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF 3420 BALES PUNJAB AMERICAN COTTON.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BRAZ ALEXANDER GOMES, of Amboli has agreed to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property for anything whatsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 35, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 7 days from the date hereof as otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece of Khoti land situate at Juhu, Bombay Suburban District, known as "Ramchi Wadi" admeasuring 1 Acre and 26 Gunthas i.e. 7,966 Sq. Yds, or thereabouts bearing Old Nos. 6C(KA) 690, 104 and at present Hissa No. 4, Survey No. 2 or 2A, Pot No. 8 and bounded on the East by a Creek, on the West by a public Road, on the North partly by the property of Joseph Creado and partly by the property of Balkrishna Juhukar and on the South partly by the property of Dandekar and partly by the property of T. K. Thanawalla.

Dated this 16th day of November, 1943.

Messrs MANCHERSHAW B. CHOTHIA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 6844

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NOWROJEE RUSTOMJEE WADIA, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Fort Chambers, Dean Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

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All that piece or parcel of leasehold land with the messuage or bungalow standing thereon called "the Macaulay Lodge" and outhouses and cocoanut and jack trees, a large well, etc., standing thereon, situate on the Western slop of the Bandra Hill at Bandra, Taluka Salsette, Zilla Thana, Bombay Suburban District, South Salsette, bearing House No. 40 Bandra in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and bearing Survey No. 2533 C, containing by admeasurement (3645) three thousand six hundred and forty-five square yards or thereabouts and particularly denoted as non-agricultural Survey No. 217 A in a certain Register deposited with the Collector of Thana and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the North by the property of Ebrahim Pirmahomed, on or towards the South by the property of Pestonji Jamshedji Porter, on or towards the East by the property of Phiroze Cursetji Sethna and others, on or towards the West by the Byramjee Jejeebhoy Road leading to the Lands End. The land is Gaothan Land and hence there is no City Survey Number.

Dated this 16th day of November, 1943.

DAYALJI & DIPCHAND,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 6834

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RESTRICTION ON CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR PRISONERS OF WAR

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